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Lansing, Wednesday, January 4, 1865.

Pursuant to the requirements of the Constitution, the members elect to the House of Representatives of the Legislature of the State of Michigan, for the year 1865, assembled in the Representative Hall of the Capitol, at Lansing, on Wednesday, the 4th day of January, at eleven o'clock A. M., and were called to order by Nelson B. Jones, Clerk of the last House.

Upon examining the credentials of members, it was ascertained that the several counties were fully represented, except the first district of Lenawee county, the third district of Monroe county, Sanilac county, first and second districts of St. Clair county, and William S. Bond, of the first district of Wayne county.

Credentials were presented from the first district of Oakland county by Benjamin F. McDonald, and also by James Bailey, in precisely the same form, certifying that the gentlemen named respectively, were elected as Representative from said first district of Oakland county;

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

These credentials were laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

Hon. Augustus D. Griswold, of Kent, was chosen temporary Speaker.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The Speaker *pro tem* was authorized to appoint a Sergeant-at-Arms *pro tem*.

The Speaker *pro tem*. appointed George W. Swift, of Wayne, as Sergeant-at-Arms *pro tem*.

Mr. Brockway moved that a committee of two be appointed

to wait on Lieut. Gov. Grosvenor, and invite him to administer the oath of office to the several members elect;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker *pro tem.* appointed Messrs. Brockway, of Calhoun, and G. W. Allen, of Kent, as such committee.

After a short absence the committee returned, and reported Lieut. Gov. Grosvenor in attendance.

The roll of the members was then called by counties and districts, when the following members answered to their names, and having subscribed and taken the oath of office, were admitted to seats as Representatives in the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

Allegan—1st District, William Packard; 2d District, William E. White.

Barry—1st District, John G. Runyan; 2d District, Leander Lapham.

Bay, &c.—Andrew C. Maxwell.

Berrien—1st District, Newton R. Woodruff; 2d District, James Graham; 3d District, Evan J. Bonine.

Branch—1st District, John H. Jones; 2d District, Harvey Haynes; 3d District, Darius Monroe.

Calhoun—1st District, William H. Brockway; 2d District, George R. Mackay; 3d District, Joseph P. Beach; 4th District, Rodolphus Sanderson.

Cass—1st District, Alexander B. Copley; 2d District, Lucius Keeler.

Marquette, &c.—James O'Grady.

Clinton—1st District, Moses Bartow; 2d District, Orrin W. Munger.

Eaton—1st District, Robert Nixon; 2d District, Albertus L. Green.

Emmet, &c.—Abijah B. Dunlap.

Genesee—1st District, James Van Vleet; 2d District, Robert P. Aitken; 3d District, George W. Thayer.

Gratiot, &c.—Luther Smith.

Hillsdale—1st District, Zimri D. Thomas; 2d District, Barron B. Willetts; 3d District, Albert B. Slocum.

Houghton and Keweenaw—John Q. McKernan.

Huron—Richard Winsor.

Ingham—1st District, Joseph C. Bailey; 2d District, Henry B. Hawley.

Ionia—1st District, John B. Welch; 2d District, Myron Tupper.

Montcalm, &c.—Levi Camburn.

Jackson—1st District, Hiel Woodward; 2d District, Delos Fisher; 3d District, John Landon.

Kalamazoo—1st District, Gilbert E. Read; 2d District, James B. Cobb; 3d District, Orville H. Fellows.

Kent—1st District, George W. Allen; 2d District, Henry Seymour; 3d District, Augustus D. Griswold; 4th District, Edward Jewell.

Lapeer—1st District, John S. Jenness; 2d District, Myron C. Kenney.

Lenawee—2d District, William H. Osborn; 3d District, Charles E. Mickley; 4th District, Roland B. C. Newcomb; 5th District, William S. Willcox.

Livingston—1st District, William Ball; 2d District, David G. Colwell.

Mackinaw and Manitou—Jacob A. T. Wendell.

Macomb—1st District, Peter Schars; 2d District, Horace H. Cady; 3d District, Charles F. Mallary.

Monroe—1st District, Edward G. Morton; 2d District, Charles H. Pitts.

Muskegon and Oceana—Israel E. Carlton.

Newaygo, &c.—William S. Utley.

Oakland—2d District, Henry M. Look; 3d District, Squire W. Rowe; 4th District, Abram Allen; 5th District, P. Dean Warner.

Ontonagon—George C. Jones.

Ottawa—1st District, Manley D. Howard; 2d District, George Luther.

Saginaw—1st District, William H. Taylor; 2d District, Samuel W. Yawkey.

St. Clair—3d District, Ezra Hazen.

St. Joseph—1st District, Edwin Stewart; 2d District, Orrin H. Howard; 3d District, William T. Smith.

Shiawassee—1st District, Nathaniel G. Phillips; 2d District, William P. Laing.

Tuscola—J. Dennison Lewis.

Van Buren—1st District, Jonathan J. Woodman; 2d District, Buel M. Williams.

Washtenaw—1st District, Charles Shier; 2d District, John F. Miller; 3d District, Joshua Forbes; 4th District, Elias Haire.

Wayne—1st District, J. Logan Chipman, Paul Gies, Richard Hawley, William P. Wells; 2d District, Benjamin May; 3d District, Titus Dort; 4th District, John M. Swift; 5th District, Moses R. Nowland.

Mr. M. D. Howard offered the following:

Resolved, That the rules of the last House of Representatives be adopted as the rules of this House, until further ordered;.

Which was adopted.

Mr. Morton offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be instructed to furnish each member with a copy of the Manual of the last session of the Legislature;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Cobb moved that the House do now proceed to the election of a Speaker;

Which motion was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Luther,

The House took a recess until this afternoon, at 2½ o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: a quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House proceeded to the election of a Speaker, which resulted as follows:

FOR GILBERT E. READ.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. J. H. Jones,	Mr. Shier,
A. Allen,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,
G. W. Allen,	Keeler,	W. T. Smith,
Ball,	Kenney,	Stewart,
Beach,	Landon,	Taylor,
Bonine,	Lapham,	Thayer,
Brockway,	Lewis,	Thomas,
Camburn,	Luther,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Mackay,	Utley,
Copley,	Mallery,	Van Vleet,
Dunlap,	Monroe,	Warner,
Fellows,	Munger,	Welch,
Fisher,	Nixon,	White,
Graham,	Osborn,	Willoox,
Green,	Packard,	Willetts,
Griswold,	Rowe,	Williams,
Haynes,	Runyan,	Winsor,
Hazen,	Sanderson,	Woodman,
O. F. Howard,	Schars,	Woodruff,
Jenness,	Seymour,	Woodward,
Jewell,		61

FOR EDWARD G. MORTON.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Gies,	Mr. May,
Bartow,	Haire,	McKernan,
Cady,	H. B. Hawley,	Miller,
Chipman,	R. Hawley,	O'Grady,
Colwell,	M. D. Howard,	Pitts,
Dort,	Look,	Wells,
Forbes,	Maxwell,	Wendell,
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FOR J. LOGAN CHIPMAN.

Mr. Morton,	1
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FOR AUGUSTUS D. GRISWOLD.

Mr. Read,	1
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The Speaker *pro tem.* announced that Hon. Gilbert E. Read, of Kalamazoo county, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected to the office of Speaker of the House.

Mr. Green moved that a committee of three be appointed to conduct the Speaker elect to the Chair;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker *pro tem.* appointed Messrs. Green, Woodman and Monroe, as such committee.

The committee performed the duty assigned them, and the Speaker elect, on assuming the chair, addressed the House as follows:

Gentlemen of the House—I tender you my most sincere thanks for this expression of your confidence and the honor you have done me, in selecting me to discharge the arduous and responsible duties of Speaker of this House. When I look around this hall and behold gathered here so much of ability, intelligence and experience in public affairs, I cannot but be impressed with deep sensibility for the distinguished honor conferred upon me. The best requital I can make will be the devotion of my best energies to the faithful and impartial discharge of the duties of the office. I regret I cannot bring to the task more wisdom and experience, and greater familiarity with parliamentary proceedings. It is only with your aid and coöperation, indulgence and forbearance that I can hope to discharge those duties so as to meet your approbation. Gentlemen, we meet here as the representatives of an intelligent and enterprising constituency. To us to a great extent is entrusted the interests, growth and future prosperity of this our Peninsular State. Subjects of great importance will undoubtedly come before us for our consideration—subjects upon which we may honestly differ in sentiments. In the consideration of these subjects let us lay aside all party feeling, political animosity, or local prejudices, and cultivate a spirit of harmony and mutual forbearance. We meet here at a time momentous in the history of our country. We as a nation are engaged in putting down the most gigantic rebellion the world ever saw, when every day is adding to our country's history; when to us is given an opportunity of writing our names upon its pages. Let us so engrave them that they will be handed down to posterity with honor to ourselves and our State. Our people have entrusted their interests to our hands, and they expect us to perform our duties with fidelity and dispatch.

Gentlemen, thanking you again for the distinguished honor,
I now assume the duties assigned me.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The House proceeded to the election of Chief Clerk, with the
following result:

FOR NELSON B. JONES.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Keeler,	Mr. Slocum,
A. Allen,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
G. W. Allen,	Laing,	W. T. Smith,
Ball,	Landon,	Stewart,
Beach,	Lapham,	Swift,
Bonine,	Lewis,	Taylor,
Brockway,	Luther,	Thayer,
Camburn,	Mackay,	Thomas,
Carlton,	Mallary,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Mickley,	Utle,
Copley,	Monroe,	Van Vleet,
Dunlap,	Munger,	Warner,
Fellows,	Newcomb,	Welch,
Fisher,	Nixon,	White,
Graham,	Osborn,	Willcox,
Green,	Packard,	Willetts,
Griswold,	Phillips,	Williams,
Haynes,	Rowe,	Winsor,
Hazen,	Runyan,	Woodman,
O. F. Howard,	Sanderson,	Woodruff,
Jenness,	Schars,	Woodward,
Jewell,	Seymour,	Yawkey,
J. H. Jones,	Shier,	Speaker,
G. C. Jones,		

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FOR MILTON W. REYNOLDS.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. H. B. Hawley,	Mr. Miller,
Bartow,	R. Hawley,	Morton,
Chipman,	M. D. Howard,	Nowland,
Colwell,	Look,	O'Grady,
Dort,	Maxwell,	Pitts,
Gies,	May,	Wells,
Haire,	McKernan,	Wendell,

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The Speaker announced that Nelson B. Jones, of Ingham
county, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was
duly elected to the office of Chief Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The House proceeded to the election of an Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk, with the following result:

FOR WILLIAM A. HALL.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Keeler,	Mr. Slocum,
A. Allen,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
G. W. Allen,	Laing,	W. T. Smith,
Ball,	Landon,	Stewart,
Beach,	Lapham,	Swift,
Bonine,	Lewis,	Taylor,
Brockway,	Luther,	Thayer,
Camburn,	Mackay,	Thomas,
Carlton,	Mallary,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Mickley,	Utley,
Copley,	Monroe,	Van Vleet,
Dunlap,	Munger,	Warner,
Fellows,	Newcomb,	Welch,
Fisher,	Nixon,	White,
Graham,	Osborn,	Willcox,
Green,	Packard,	Willetts,
Griswold,	Phillips,	Williams,
Haynes,	Rowe,	Winsor,
Hazen,	Runyan,	Woodman,
O. F. Howard,	Sanderson,	Woodruff,
Jenness,	Schars,	Woodward,
Jewell,	Seymour,	Yawkey,
J. H. Jones,	Shier,	Speaker,
G. C. Jones,		

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FOR HENRY D. POST.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. H. B. Hawley,	Mr. Miller,
Bartow,	R. Hawley,	Morton,
Chipman,	M. D. Howard,	Nowland,
Colwell,	Look,	O'Grady,
Dort,	Maxwell,	Pitts,
Forbes,	May,	Wells,
Gies,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Haire,		

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The Speaker announced that William A. Hall, of Livingston county, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected to the office of Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House then proceeded to the election of Sergeant-at-Arms, with the following result:

Mr. Aitken,
 A Allen,
 G. W Allen,
 Ball,
 Beach,
 Bonine,
 Brockway,
 Camburn,
 Carlton,
 Cobb,
 Copley,
 Dunlap,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Graham,
 Green,
 Griswold,
 Haynes,
 Hazen,
 O. F. Howard,
 Jenness,
 Jewell,
 J. H. Jones,
 G. C. Jones,

FOR GEORGE W. SWIFT.

Mr. Keeler,
 Kenney,
 Laing,
 Landon,
 Lapham,
 Lewis,
 Luther,
 Mackay,
 Mallary,
 Mickley,
 Monroe,
 Munger,
 Newcomb,
 Nixon,
 Osborn,
 Packard,
 Phillips,
 Rowe,
 Runyan,
 Sanderson,
 Schars,
 Seymour,
 Shier,

Mr. Slocum,
 L. Smith,
 W. T. Smith,
 Stewart,
 Swift,
 Taylor,
 Thayer,
 Thomas,
 Tupper,
 Utley,
 Van Vleet,
 Warner,
 Welch,
 White,
 Willcox,
 Willetts,
 Williams,
 Winsor,
 Woodman,
 Woodruff,
 Woodward,
 Yawkey,
 Speaker,

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FOR H. D. LINABURY.

Mr. Bailey,
 Bartow,
 Cady,
 Chipman,
 Colwell,
 Dort,
 Forbes,
 Gies,

Mr. Haire,
 H. B. Hawley,
 R. Hawley,
 M. D. Howard,
 Look,
 Maxwell,
 May,
 McKernan,

Mr. Miller,
 Morton,
 Nowland,
 O'Grady,
 Pitts,
 Wells,
 Wendell,

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The Speaker announced that George W. Swift, of Wayne county, having received a majority of all the votes cast, was duly elected to the office of Sergeant-at-Arms.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The oath of office was administered to the Chief Clerk, En-
 grossing and Enrolling Clerk, and Sergeant-at-Arms, elect to
 the House, and the several officers named entered upon the dis-
 charge of their duties.

Mr. Woodman moved that a committee of three be appointed to wait upon the Senate and inform that body that the House is now organized and ready to proceed to business;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Woodman, Brockway and Chipman as such committee.

Mr. Mallary moved that the officiating clergymen of the city of Lansing be invited to officiate as Chaplain of the House;

Mr. Green offered the following as a substitute for the motion:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed to wait upon the resident clergy of Lansing, and invite them to officiate as Chaplain of this House during its session;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Green, Monroe and McKernan as such committee.

The committee appointed to wait on the Senate and inform that body that the House had perfected its organization, and was ready to proceed to business, reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them.

Mr. Thayer moved that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Brockway moved to take from the table the credentials presented to the House from the first representative district of Oakland county;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Williams moved that they be referred to a select committee of three, of which committee Mr. Brockway should be chairman;

Mr. Williams withdrew that part of his motion constituting Mr. Brockway chairman of the committee.

Mr. Green then moved to amend the motion by striking out "three" and inserting the word "five," in lieu thereof;

Which was accepted.

Mr. Chipman moved to amend the motion of Mr. Williams in

such a manner as to refer the papers to the committee on elections, when such committee should be appointed;

After discussion, Mr. Chipman moved to lay the subject on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Utley then offered the following, as a substitute for the motions before the House:

Resolved, That James Bailey is duly elected, and entitled to a seat in this House from the first representative district of Oakland county;

Mr. Warner demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded.

Mr. Monroe moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

Permission was given Mr. McDonald to appear upon the floor of the House and make a personal explanation.

The question being on the adoption of the resolution, it was not adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Bonine,
Camburn,
Carlton,
Dunlap,
Fisher,
Graham,
Griswold,

Mr. Hazen,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
Kenney,
Laing,
Mallary,
Mickley,
Munger,
Osborn,
Phillips,
Sanderson,

Mr. Schars,
Seymour,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Utley,
Warner,
Willcox,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Yawkey,

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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,
Brockway,
Cady,
Chipman,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Fellows,
Forbes,

Mr. Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mackay,
Maxwell,
May,
McKernan,

Mr. Rowe,
Shier,
Slocum,
W. T. Smith,
Swift,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,

Green,
Haire,
H. B. Hawley,
R. Hawley,
Haynes,
M. D. Howard,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Gies,

Miller,
Monroe,
Morton,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Packard,
Pitts,

Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Willetts,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Speaker,

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The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a committee from the Senate.

The Committee informed the House that the Senate had perfected its organization, and was now ready to proceed to business.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Chipman, to amend the motion of Mr. Williams,

Mr. Shier demanded the previous question.

The demand was seconded and the main question ordered.

The motion of Mr. Chipman did not prevail.

The motion of Mr. Williams, as amended, was agreed to.

The Speaker announced as the special committee, Messrs. Williams, Brockway, Griswold, Chipman and Morton.

Mr. Shier presented the proceedings of the board of district canvassers of the second district of Washtenaw county, duly certified, by which it appears that including the soldiers' vote, Mr. James Clements received a majority of the votes cast for representative for said second district of Washtenaw county.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The papers were laid on the table, to be referred to the committee on elections, when such committee should be appointed.

Mr. Welch offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed, on the part of the House, to act with a like committee, on the part of the Senate, to wait upon the retiring Governor, and inform him that the two Houses are now organized and ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Welch, Bonine and Dort as such committee.

On motion of Mr. Winsor,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Thursday, January 5, 1865.

The House met pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Potter.

Roll called: quorum present.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The reading of the journal was dispensed with.

Mr. Morton announced that Hon. Victor Dusseau, member elect from the third district of Monroe county, was present, and desired to take his seat.

Mr. Hazen announced that Hon. Cyrus Miles, from the second district, and Hon. Benjamin S. Horton, from the third district of St. Clair county, were present, and desired to take their seats.

Mr. Willcox announced that Hon. John K. Boies, member elect from the first district of Lenawee county, was present and desired to take his seat.

Mr. Gies announced that Hon. Wm. S. Bond, a member elect from the first district of Wayne county, was present, and desired to take his seat.

The several gentlemen named came forward, presented their credentials, and after having sworn and subscribed to the constitutional oath, took their seats as members of the Legislature of the State of Michigan.

The committee appointed on the part of the House, to act with a like committee on the part of the Senate, to wait on the retiring Governor, and inform him that the two Houses are now organized, and ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make, reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and that the Governor would communicate in person with the two Houses, in joint convention, at 11 o'clock.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 4, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That a committee of two on the part of the Senate, be appointed to act with a like committee on the part of the House, to wait upon the incoming Governor, and inform him that the two Houses are organized and ready to receive any communication that he may be pleased to make;

Which has passed the Senate, and to inform the House that Senators Jerome and Luce have been appointed as such committee on the part of the Senate, and to respectfully ask the concurrence of the House in the passage of the resolution.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Luther,

The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Luther and Wendell as such committee on the part of the House.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 4, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That a committee of two on the part of the Senate, be appointed to act with a like committee on the part of the House, to wait upon the retiring Governor, and inform him that the two Houses are organized and prepared to receive any communication that he may desire to make;

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Which has passed the Senate, and to inform the House that Senators Crowell and McCurdy have been appointed as such committee on the part of the Senate, and to respectfully ask the concurrence of the House in said resolution.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of
The resolution
The Speaker **MR. Woodman,**
was laid on the table.

also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 4, 1865. }

To the Speaker
Sir:—I am **of the House of Representatives:**

ing concurrent **instructed to transmit to the House, the following concurrent resolution:**

Resolved by the Senate, (the House concurring,) That the joint rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, and the rules in joint convention, of the last Legislature, be and are hereby adopted as the rules of the present Senate and House of Representatives, until otherwise ordered;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Brockway offered the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker be, and he hereby is authorized to appoint one Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, one fireman, and one assistant fireman, at the rate of three dollars per day for the time actually employed, and eight messenger boys, at the rate of one dollar and fifty cents per day for the time actually employed, and that he be authorized to dismiss any of the

same for failing properly to perform the duties of their respective offices.

Mr. Green called for a division of the question, relative to the appointment of Assistant Sergeant-At-arms and Fireman and Assistant, and the appointment of Messengers.

Mr. Monroe moved to amend the resolution in such a manner as to allow the Sergeant-at-Arms to appoint his own Assistant; Which was agreed to.

That portion of the resolution relative to the appointment of Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, and Fireman and Assistant Fireman, was then adopted.

The question recurring upon that portion of the resolution relative to the appointment of messenger boys;

Mr. M. D. Howard moved to amend, by striking out the words "one dollar and fifty cents," and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "two dollars;"

Which amendment was agreed to.

Mr. M. D. Howard then moved to further amend the resolution, by striking out the word "eight," and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "six;" also to insert after the word "boys," the following: "And the Speaker and Chief Clerk are also authorized to appoint each a messenger, at the same rate per day;"

Which was agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

The committee appointed by the House to act with a like committee on the part of the Senate, to wait upon the incoming Governor, and inform him that the two Houses are now organized, and ready to receive any communication he may be pleased to make, reported that they had performed the duty assigned them, and that the Governor would communicate in person, with the two Houses, in joint convention, at 2½ o'clock this afternoon.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced a committee from the Senate.

The committee informed the House that the Senate had nominated a candidate for the office of United States Senator, in place of Hon. Jacob M. Howard, whose term of office will ex-

pire on the 4th day of March next, and that the Senate will meet the House in joint convention at 12½ o'clock P. M., to compare nominations.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 5, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That the two Houses will meet in joint convention at 11 o'clock this A. M., in the Hall of the House of Representatives, to receive the message of the retiring Governor;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 5, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That the two Houses will meet in joint convention, at half-past 2 o'clock this afternoon, to hear the message of the incoming Governor;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution.

Mr. Griswold offered the following:

Resolved, That this House do now proceed to a nomination of Senator of the United States, in place of Jacob M. Howard, whose term of office expires on the 4th day of March, next;

Which was adopted.

The House then proceeded to the nomination of a candidate for the office of United States Senator, with the following result:

FOR JACOB M. HOWARD.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Keeler,	Mr. Slocum,
A. Allen,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
G. W. Allen,	Laing,	W. T. Smith,
Ball,	Landon,	Stewart,
Beach,	Lapham,	Swift,
Boies,	Lewis,	Taylor,
Bonine,	Luther,	Thayer,
Brockway,	Mackay,	Thomas,
Camburn,	Mallary,	Tupper,
Carlton,	Mickley,	Utley,
Copley,	Monroe,	Van Vleet,
Dunlap,	Munger,	Warner,
Fellows,	Newcomb,	Welch,
Fisher,	Nixon,	White,
Graham,	Osborn,	Wilcox,
Green,	Packard,	Willetts,
Griswold,	Phillips,	Williams,
Haynes,	Rowe,	Winsor,
Hazen,	Runyan,	Woodman,
O. F. Howard,	Sanderson,	Woodruff,
Jenness,	Schars,	Woodward,
Jewell,	Seymour,	Yawkey,
J. H. Jones,	Shier,	Speaker,
G. O. Jones,		

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FOR GEORGE V. N. LOTHROP.

Mr. Bailey,	Mr. Gies,	Mr. McKernan,
Bartow,	Haire,	Miles,
Bond,	H. B. Hawley,	Miller,
Cady,	R. Hawley,	Morton,
Chipman,	Horton,	Nowland,
Colwell,	M. D. Howard,	O'Grady,
Dort,	Look,	Pitts,
Dusseau,	Maxwell,	Wells,
Forbes,	May,	Wendell,

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The Speaker
received a major-
ity nominated by
Mr. Green

Resolved, That the House for the office of United States Senator.

Resolved, That the following:

Engrossing Clerk, the Clerk of this House, the Enrolling and
to appoint an Assistant during this session.

Mr. Monroe moved to so amend the resolution that the En-
rolling and Engrossing Clerk appoint an Assistant when neces-
sary;

Which was accepted.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

Mr. M. D. Howard offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed
to procure 1,000 copies of the Journal for the members of this
House.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The resolution was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

A committee of three was appointed to wait on the Senate
and inform that body that the House had nominated a candi-
date for the office of United States Senator, in place of Hon.
Jacob M. Howard, whose term of office will expire on the 4th
day of March next, and that the House would meet the Senate
in joint convention, at 12½ o'clock P. M., to compare nomina-
tions.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Brockway, O'Grady and
Swift as such committee.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The Judges of the Supreme Court and State officers were in-
vited to seats within the bar of the House, during the joint
convention.

The committee appointed to wait on the Senate and inform
that body that the House had nominated a candidate for the
office of United States Senator, in place of Hon. Jacob M. How-
ard, reported that they had performed the duty assigned them.

The hour of eleven o'clock having arrived,

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

A committee of three was appointed to wait on the Senate and inform that body that the House were now prepared to meet them in joint convention.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. M. D. Howard, Swift and W. T. Smith as such committee.

After a short absence, the committee reported that they had performed the duty assigned them.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Honorable the Senate, who were conducted to seats.

PROCEEDINGS IN JOINT CONVENTION.

The joint convention was called to order by the Hon. Ebenezer O. Grosvenor, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.

The roll of the Senate was called by the Secretary thereof, and a quorum of the members were present.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk thereof, and a quorum of the members were present.

The President of the Senate announced that the joint convention had assembled for the purpose of receiving the message of his Excellency, the retiring Governor.

Senator Jay moved that a committee of one from the Senate and two from the House be appointed to wait upon his Excellency, the retiring Governor, and inform him that the two Houses were assembled in joint convention, and ready to receive any communication which he may desire to make;

Which motion prevailed.

Senator Jay and Representatives Hazen and Morton were appointed such committee.

After a short absence the committee returned, and reported that they had discharged the duty assigned them, and that His Excellency Governor Blair was in attendance.

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His Excellency Governor Blair, then delivered, in person, his message.

After which, on motion of Senator Croswell,

The joint convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate,

N. B. JONES,

Clerk of the House of Representatives,

and Secretaries of the Joint Convention.

The hour of 12½ o'clock having arrived, without retiring from the Hall of the House, the Honorable the Senate met the House in joint convention, to compare nominations for the office of United States Senator, in place of Hon. Jacob M. Howard.

PROCEEDINGS IN JOINT CONVENTION.

The joint convention was called to order by Hon. Ebenezer O. Grosvenor, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.

The roll of the Senate was called by the Secretary thereof, and a quorum of the Senators were present.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk thereof, and a quorum of the members were present.

The President of the Senate announced the object of the joint convention to be, to compare the nominations of the two Houses of the Legislature, of a candidate for the office of United States Senator, for the full term of six years, from the fourth day of March next, and that the Senate had duly nominated Hon. Jacob M. Howard.

The Speaker of the House of Representatives announced that the House had duly nominated Hon. Jacob M. Howard, for the office of United States Senator, for the full term of six years from the fourth day of March next.

Whereupon, the President of the joint convention announced that the two Houses having agreed in their nominations, Honorable Jacob M. Howard be, and hereby is declared duly elected to the office of United States Senator, for the full term of

six years, from the fourth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and sixty-five.

On motion of Senator Brown,

The joint convention adjourned *sine die*.

THOMAS H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

N. B. JONES,

*Clerk of the House of Representatives,
and Secretaries of the Joint Convention.*

The Senators having retired, the House was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The Speaker announced that the joint convention had compared nominations, and the two Houses having agreed in their nominations, Hon. Jacob M. Howard had been declared duly elected Senator in the Congress of the United States, for the full term of six years, from the fourth day of March next.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House adjourned till this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Fellows asked and obtained leave of absence, for an indefinite time, for Mr. Cobb, on account of sickness.

Mr. R. Hawley asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Welch, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Green moved to take from the table the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Clerk is hereby authorized and directed to procure 1,000 copies of the daily Journal for the use of the members of this House;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Green moved to amend the resolution by striking out "1,000," and inserting "1,500" in lieu thereof;

Mr. Monroe called for a division of the question.

The question being upon striking out "1,000,"

It was not agreed to.

Mr. Woodman then offered the following as a substitute for the resolution:

Resolved, That the Clerk be authorized to furnish 1,000 copies of the *Daily Journal*, to be equally distributed among the members and officers of this House; Which was adopted.

Mr. Morton offered the following:
Resolved, That the Clerk of the House cause a copy of the *daily Journal* to be sent to each of the newspapers in the State, during the present session; also, a copy to each county clerk, and to our Senators and Representatives in Congress, and also, to the State officers; Which was adopted.

Mr. Van Vleet offered the following:
Resolved, That each member of the House be allowed five dollars for stationery, and that the committee on supplies be requested to furnish the Speaker, Clerk, Enrolling and Engrossing Clerk, and chairmen of standing and select committees such stationery as may be necessary for their use; Which was adopted.

Mr. Williams offered the following:
Resolved, That all refuse papers accumulating in the House during the session thereof, be preserved and placed under the charge of the committee on supplies, and that the same be donated to the Ladies' Soldiers' Aid Association of the city of Lansing.

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Landon offered the following:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be requested to obtain

the post office scales, furnished to the Legislature two years ago, for the use of this House;

Which was adopted.

The hour of 2½ o'clock having arrived,

On motion of Mr. Hazen,

A committee of two was appointed to wait upon the Senate and inform that body that the House were now prepared to meet them in joint convention.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Hazen and Wells as such committee.

After a short absence, the committee reported that they had performed the duty assigned them.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced the Honorable the Senate, who were conducted to seats.

PROCEEDINGS IN JOINT CONVENTION.

The joint convention was called to order by Hon. Ebenezer O. Grosvenor, Lieutenant Governor and President of the Senate.

The roll of the Senate was called by the Secretary thereof, and a quorum of the members were present.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk thereof, and a quorum of the members were present.

The President of the Senate announced that the joint convention had assembled for the purpose of receiving the message of His Excellency the Governor.

Representative Brockway moved that a committee of three, consisting of one from the Senate and two from the House, be appointed to wait upon His Excellency the Governor, and inform him that the two Houses were now assembled in joint convention, and ready to receive any communication he might be pleased to make;

Which motion prevailed.

The President appointed Representatives Brockway and Wilcox, and Senator Adair, as such committee.

After a short absence, the committee returned and reported

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*that they had discharged the duty assigned them, and that
His Excellency Governor Crapo was in attendance.
His Excellency Governor Crapo, then delivered, in person,
his message;
After which,
On motion of Senator Jerome,
The joint convention adjourned sine die.*

THOMAS H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate,

N. B. JONES,

*Clerk of the House of Representatives,
and Secretaries of the Joint Convention.*

*The Honorable the Senate having retired, the House was
called to order by the Speaker.
Roll called: quorum present.
On motion of Mr. Monroe,
The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.*

Lansing, Friday, January 6, 1865.

*The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to
order by the Speaker.*

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Meyer.

Roll called: quorum present.

The Speaker announced the following appointments:

*Messengers—John Hunt, Jr., of Van Buren county; George
Bull, of Calhoun county; Martin F. Tupper, of Ionia county;
Charles Wright, of Genesee county; Edbert B. Green, of Eaton
county; Charles B. Green, of Macomb county.*

*Special Messenger of the Speaker—Rush O. Fellows, of Kal-
amazoo county.*

The Speaker announced the following:

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I hereby appoint William Rhodes, of Lenawee county,

Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms of the House, under a resolution of the House.

GEORGE W. SWIFT,
Sergeant-at-Arms.

The Speaker also announced the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
Lansing, January 6, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day appointed Abernethy G. Andrews, Messenger, pursuant to a resolution of the House.

Very respectfully,

N. B. JONES,
Clerk.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 5, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution.

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That the committees on printing of the Senate and House of Representatives, be authorized to act as a joint committee, and be instructed to prepare and cause to be published for the use of the Senate and House of Representatives of this and the next Legislature, a Manual, containing the Rules of the Senate and House of Representatives, Joint Rules, Constitutions of the United States and of this State, a diagram of the Senate Chamber and Hall of the House of Representatives, and such other matter as is usually incorporated in such a work.

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Cobb offered the following:

Resolved, That the members of the House furnish the Clerk of the House the names of all the papers published in their respective districts, and the places of their location, to enable him to comply with the resolution heretofore adopted;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Malary gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 30, of chapter 10, of the compiled laws, relative to the compensation of supervisors;

Also,

A bill to authorize any of the townships in the counties of Oakland and Macomb to pledge their credit to aid in the construction of a railroad from Ridgeway, on the Grand Trunk Railroad, to or near the village of Holly, on the Detroit and Milwaukee Railroad.

Mr. Green offered the following:

Resolved, That the fortieth rule of the House be amended by inserting below the word "salines," the words "committee on war bounties."

Laid on the table for one day, under the rules.

Mr. Monroe offered the following:

Resolved, That there be appointed another messenger boy on the floor of this House, and that John Rouse, Jr., be appointed such messenger.

Mr. Chipman moved to amend the resolution, by striking out the words "another messenger boy," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "two additional messenger boys;" and also by inserting after "John Rouse, Jr., the words, "and John Karp;" also, by adding "s" to the word "messenger;"

Which was agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

Mr. Green offered the following:

Resolved, That a committee of three be appointed by the Speaker, to report the number of copies of the Governor's message needed for the use of the members of this House;

Which was adopted.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Green, Morton and Warner, as such committee.

Mr. Utley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill making actual settlers under the provisions of the homestead bill, free-holders in certain cases and for certain purposes;

Also,

A bill to lay out and establish a State road from the north-west corner of section six, in surveyed township number sixteen north, of range number ten west, in the county of Meosta, and running thence on the most eligible route to the north-east corner of section one, in surveyed township number twenty-five north, of range number five west, in the county of Missaukee, and to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes thereon.

Mr. Fellows offered the following:

Resolved, That until the further order of this House, there shall be but one session per day.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved to amend the resolution by adding thereto the following: "and the hour of meeting shall be 10 o'clock A. M.;"

Which was accepted.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Wilcox gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the township of Madison, in the county of Lenawee, to refund certain moneys paid as a bounty for volunteers to fill the quota of said township.

Mr. Maxwell moved that the House take a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Saturday, January 7, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Meyer.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, Messrs. Bond and Gies.

Mr. Swift asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bond, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Dort asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Gies, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

By the select committee on the election case of Bayley vs. McDonald:

The select committee, to whom was referred the claims of James Bayley and Benjamin F. McDonald, to a seat in the House, from the First Representative District of Oakland county, respectfully report that they find the facts bearing upon the case, to be as follows: Each of the claimants presents a certificate, duly certified by the proper authority, of his election. The certificates are duplicates in every respect; exactly alike, except that by the declaring clause in one, James Bayley is declared duly elected, and in the other, Benjamin F. McDonald is declared duly elected. This palpable and singular contradiction has been fully explained by the Clerk of the Board of Canvassers, who made out and signed these certificates. He testifies that he intended both certificates to be alike, and that the insertion of the name of James Bayley in the declaring clause in one of them, was a clerical error, unintentional and accidental. Your committee find, therefore, that the Board of Canvassers, and its officers, intended to decide, and did declare, Benjamin F. McDonald duly elected.

Your committee also find from an examination of these certificates, that James Bayley received a majority of eight (8) votes of all the votes cast, and that the declaration by the Board of Canvassers, that Benjamin F. McDonald was duly elected, was in direct violation of law, and of their official duty,

as indicated by the facts established in the certificates. This result was arrived at by the Board, by assuming and exercising the power of declaring the soldiers' votes null and void, upon the ground of the unconstitutionality of the act permitting soldiers in the field to exercise the right of suffrage. This assumption of power to overrule the action of the Legislature, was, in the opinion of your committee, presumptuous, unwarranted by law or custom, and of pernicious example, if not willfully corrupt.

There is no pretence that the Board placed their decision upon any other ground than the unconstitutionality of the law referred to. Your committee cannot themselves, nor can they advise your honorable body, to sanction this outrage of the laws, and of the rights of the defenders of their country.

They have, therefore, directed their chairman to report the following resolution, and recommend its passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same:

Resolved, That James Bayley is entitled to a seat in this House, as Representative from the First District of Oakland County.

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted, and leave granted the minority of the committee to report.

The minority of the select committee submitted the following report:

The undersigned, members of the special committee appointed by your honorable body to report upon the case of the contested seat in the first representative district of the county of Oakland, have the honor to report, that the certificate of election held by each of the gentlemen claiming the seat, is identical in date, in the signature, in the number of votes, and in the declaration of election, but differ in the name of the person declared elected; that the clerk of said county appeared before the committee, and stated that the board of canvassers of said district declared Mr. McDonald elected; that he gave Mr. McDonald the certificate, in accordance with said declara-

tion, and that he gave the certificate to Mr. Bailey upon the advice of the prosecuting attorney, of the county. It did not appear to the committee that the soldiers' vote was ever brought to the attention of the canvassers, and Mr. McDonald, through his attorney, proposed to show that said vote was never presented to or considered by said board, and that the board were ignorant that any such vote existed.

With the soldiers' vote, as set forth in the certificate, Mr. Bayley has eight majority; without, Mr. McDonald is elected.

Mr. McDonald also proposed to show:

First. That the certificate held by Mr. Bayley was fraudulently executed—being without authority of the board of canvassers.

Second. That the names of persons comprising the soldiers' vote in said district, and who voted for Mr. Bayley, contains a sufficient number who were not voters in the district to give Mr. McDonald a majority, even if the legal soldiers' vote is received.

Under these circumstances, the undersigned deem it their duty to recommend to the House, that authority be given to the committee to send for persons and papers to investigate the truth of these propositions of Mr. McDonald. While they would regret to keep either of the gentlemen, claimants, out of the seat a single hour, they feel that the dignity of the House can only be preserved by scrupulous care in the investigation of cases like this. Indeed, in no respect is the purity of the elective franchise of more importance than in its relations to the legislative body, and we who hold our seats by the votes of the people, should see to it that the people are never misrepresented.

The undersigned are also of the opinion that the law authorizing soldiers to vote, outside the limits of the State, or away from their actual legal residence, is in conflict with the provisions of the Constitution. They are informed that this subject is now before the Supreme Court of the State for decision, and

that it would be better, in view of the importance of the question involved, to await the decision of that court, before determining this case.

The undersigned, therefore, propose the following resolution, viz:

Resolved, That the special committee on the contested seat from the first representative district of Oakland county, be and hereby are authorized and directed to send for such persons and papers as may be necessary to determine the truth of the averments made by either of the parties contestant.

J. LOGAN CHIPMAN,
E. G. MORTON.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

Mr. Wells moved that the majority and minority reports of the committee be referred to the committee on elections, when appointed, with power to send for persons and papers.

Mr. Hazen moved to lay the motion on the table;

Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. M. D. Howard demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded.

Mr. Hazen demanded the previous question;

The demand was seconded, and the main question ordered.

The question being upon the motion of Mr. Wells, the motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. J. C. Bailey,
Bartow,
Cady,
Chipman,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dussean,
Forbes,

Mr. Haire,
H. B. Hawley,
R. Hawley,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
Keeler,
Look,
Maxwell,
May,

Mr. Miles,
Morton,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pitts,
Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,

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NAYS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,

Mr. G. C. Jones,
Kenney,

Mr. Slocum,
L. Smith,

G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carlton,
Cobb,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haynes,
Hazen,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,

Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mackay,
Mallary,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Packard,
Phillips,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,

W. T. Smith,
Stewart
Swift,
Taylor
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
White,
Wilcox,
Willetts,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Woodman moved that Mr. M. D. Howard be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. M. D. Howard then voted as recorded above.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that Mr. Maxwell be excused from voting;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Maxwell then voted as recorded above.

The question recurring upon the adoption of the resolution accompanying the report of the majority of the committee,

Mr. Woodman demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the resolution was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,

Mr. G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,

Mr. Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,

Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carlton,
Cobb,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haynes,
Hazen,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,

Lewis,
Luther,
Mackay,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Packard,
Phillips,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,

Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
White,
Wilcox,
Willetts,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. J. C. Bailey,
Bartow,
Cady,
Chipman,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dussean,
Forbes,

Mr. Haire,
H. B. Hawley,
R. Hawley,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
Look,
May,
McKernan,

Mr. Miles,
Miller,
Morton,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pitts,
Wells,
Wendell,

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Mr. Warner moved that Mr. James Bayley be invited to come forward and take and subscribe the oath, and be admitted to a seat as a member of this House;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. James Bayley then came forward, and after having subscribed and sworn to the constitutional oath, took his seat as a member of the Legislature of Michigan.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 6, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

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Resolved, (the House concurring,) That one thousand copies of each of the retiring and incoming Governor's messages be printed and placed in the hands of the Adjutant General, for the purpose of distributing the same equally among the several regiments of soldiers from this State, now in the field; Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hazen,
The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Look offered the following:

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be requested to furnish to this House a full statement of the army vote, so far as same relates to the first Representative district of the county of Oakland, according to the official returns on file in his office.

On motion of Mr. Hazen,
The resolution was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Luther,
The report of Hon. T. W. Ferry, Michigan Commissioner of the Soldiers' National Cemetery, (which accompanied the message of the retiring Governor,) was ordered printed in the Journal of the House.

The following is the report:

To His Excellency AUSTIN BLAIR, Governor of the State of Michigan.

In compliance with the act of incorporation, I have the honor to transmit herewith the first annual report of the Board of Commissioners of the Soldiers' National Cemetery, at Gettysburg, Pennsylvania:

The several acres of ground now consecrated as a place for those who there bravely fell in the battle of the 1st, 2d and 3d days of July, 1863, are shown in design, by the lithograph embraced in the report.

The labor of re-interment has been substantially completed. The granite wall upon three sides, the iron fence separating the national from the local cemeteries nearly finished, there remains to perfect the enclosure only the front fence and gateway, now rapidly approaching completion. The porter's lodge is complete. The placing of the head-stones, erection of inscriptive slabs for respective State localization, and for the "unknown" dead, as well as the construction of avenues, walks, embellishment of grounds—in fine, entire completion of work, exclusive of the monument, is progressing as fast as circumstances will justify. The Board have united upon a design for the monument, a lithograph of which accompanies this submission. It is to be of granite, with bronze statues; the inscriptions and devices simple, but significant. I regret that the following, proposed by Michigan, and adopted at an early meeting of the Board, was subsequently rejected, upon pecuniary grounds, to-wit:

"Resolved, That the panels of the proposed monument be filled with the names and rank of all killed, or who died of their wounds, arranged under each State respectively, heading each State panel with the name and coat of arms of each State, for the purpose of effectually perpetuating the names of such heroic dead."

In lieu, however, the following substituted by her, was adopted as the next obtainable method of perpetuity of record:

"Resolved, That in addition to the book record of the names, rank and residence, classified by States, of all who fell or who died of wounds received at the battle of Gettysburg, an enrollment of like character be neatly arranged and printed upon parchment, classified by States, and forwarded to the several commissions to be by them placed in the State archives of their respective States."

By reference to the Report, it will be seen that the estimate originally made to cover the whole project, falls short of the requisite amount. The additional sum of fifty thousand dollars, at least, is required to consummate the proposed plan. The

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Board feel unwilling to modify the dimensions or character of the monument, to bring it within the unexpended balance of the appropriations of the State. The monument should comport, in material beauty and grandeur, with the magnitude of the event it is to perpetuate. A formal memorial, by order of the Board, is to be presented to Congress, praying for an appropriation to meet this deficiency, and there is reason to believe it will be made. To meet, however, the contingency of a failure from that source, a resolution was passed, requesting the Commissioners to solicit from their respective States further appropriations, to make absolute the means required to prosecute to final completion the present adopted design and plan. Should Congress meet the request, the State appropriations would remain undrawn.

A refusal hereafter, unless provision be made by the Legislature at their present session, would impede the work till biennial sessions could relieve the contingent misfortune. Michigan appropriated last January for the object, the sum of \$3,500; the additional amount of \$2,500 is now needed, which would make an aggregate of but \$6,000, as her total share in this great National Memorial. I therefore respectfully and confidently ask that such additional appropriation be made. Appended hereto is a copy of the charter and proceedings of the Board, up to the recent annual meeting.

It gives me pleasure to report the list of Michigan's noble dead, now complete. From every conceivable source information and corrections have been sought, and no efforts spared to render it perfect. Keenly alive to the just pride of present and future generations, for a correct record of the names, rank and part borne in such a direful struggle, it would prove a source of painful regret to have discovered hereafter any avoidable errors. I trust no such revelation will follow this work.

The full number of her fallen, are found to be 210; ranking Michigan third in numerical dead, and when considered in the light of the number of regiments respectively engaged, she stands peerless in the glorious line.

The record of her slain shall be her proudest memorial, in the priceless sacrifice of blood and treasure made for National life, unity, and universal liberty.

THOMAS W. FERRY,
Commissioner.

GRAND HAVEN, Dec. 30th, 1864.

Mr. Miles gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the amendment of the charter of the city of Port Huron, relative to the road districts therein, and the overseers of highways;

Also,

A bill providing for the payment on the part of the State of a bounty for the encouragement of the production of petroleum oil in this State.

Mr. Wendell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Mackinac;

Also,

A bill authorizing the appointment, &c., of an agent to be sent to Europe, for the encouragement of emigration to this State.

Mr. Wendell offered the following:

Resolved, That a standing committee on fisheries be appointed, to consist of five members, and that Rule No. 40 be amended to that effect.

Laid on the table for one day under the rules.

Mr. Warner gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the board of supervisors of the county of Oakland in issuing certain war bounty bonds;

Also,

A bill to legalize the action of certain townships in the county of Oakland, in issuing certain township bonds, or certificates of indebtedness, for bounty purposes;

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A bill to

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A joint resolution

Mr. Copley

ask leave to

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Mr. Graham

ask leave to

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Mr. Thayer

ask leave to

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Mr. Brooks

ask leave to

A bill to

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Mr. Wilcox

establish the name of Julia Adell Saxton;

for the relief of William Dingman.

gave notice that on some future day he would

introduce

an act entitled an act to provide for assess-

its true value, and for levying and collecting

approved February 14, 1858, and acts amend-

approved February 18, 1855, and February 14,

gave notice that on some future day he would

introduce

an act entitled an act to prevent fishing

every kind of net, in certain counties in the

an, approved March 16, 1861.

gave notice that on some future day he would

introduce

authorize the township of Mount Morris, in the

essee, to refund certain moneys paid as a bounty

to fill the quota of said township.

gave notice that on some future day he would

introduce

in relation to the appointment of trustees in the Meth-

odist Episcopal Church, and for recording the same.

Mr. Wilcox offered the following:

Resolved, That a select committee of five be appointed by the chair, to designate and recommend a reference to the proper standing committees, of the subjects embraced in the messages of the Governor and retiring Governor;

Which was adopted.

Mr. R. Hawley gave notice that on some future day he would

ask leave to introduce

A bill making it obligatory upon incorporated banks and private bankers to stamp counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills, when presented for deposit, or otherwise.

Mr. Lewis gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for draining and reclaiming swamp lands, by means of a road commencing at Vassar, in Tuscola county, and running thence on the town line, as nearly as practicable, between ranges seven and eight east, to the Saginaw Bay, and appropriating State swamp lands to secure its construction;

Also,

A bill to enlarge the boundaries of the township of Vassar, in the county of Tuscola, so as to include the east half of sections one and twelve, of the township of Tuscola, in said county.

Mr. Maxwell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section fifty, of chapter one hundred and thirty-four, of the compiled laws;

Also,

A joint resolution directing the Attorney General to institute proceedings in the Supreme Court by *quo warranto*, against the Detroit and Milwaukie Railway, (so called,) to ascertain by what charter or right the said railway company exercise the functions and powers of a corporation.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the assessment roll of the township of Richland, in the county of Saginaw, for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four;

Also,

A bill to authorize the Forest Valley Salt Manufacturing Company to engage in the manufacture of lumber;

Also,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the city of Saginaw, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes in said city.

Mr. Horton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the township board of the

township of Cottrellville, in the county of St. Clair, in relation to bounties.

Mr. Dort offered the following:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Secretary of the Senate, and the Clerk of the House, be requested to procure a sufficient number of copies of "A Key to the Compiled Laws," by William T. Young, of Detroit, to furnish each member of the Senate and House, one copy during the session, at a cost of not exceeding 75 cents per copy.

Laid on the table for one day under the rules.

Mr. J. H. Jones gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the people of the townships of Quincy, Alganssee, Ovid, and Kinderhook, in raising bounties for volunteers, to fill the quotas of said townships.

Mr. Yawkey gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of East Saginaw.

Mr. Landon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sandstone, in the county of Jackson, for the year 1864.

Mr. Mallary gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the name of Truman W. Willey, of the town of Bay, in the county of Macomb.

Mr. Look gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution to release to James P. Wheeler, the interest which the State of Michigan has in certain real estate.

Mr. G. C. Jones gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution asking the government of the United States to make a grant of land to aid in the construction of a harbor at the mouth of the Ontonagon river, in the State of Michigan.

Mr. G. C. Jones offered the following:

Resolved, That Rule No. 41 be amended, by striking from the list of committees—that consist of but three members each—“mines and minerals;” and that Rule No. 40 be amended, by adding to the committees that consist of five members each, “mines and minerals.”

Laid on the table for one day, under the rules.

Mr. Morton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act to provide for the relief, by counties, of the families of volunteers.

Mr. Mallary offered the following:

Resolved, That the Speaker be and he is hereby requested to designate two of the messenger boys as the sole mail carriers of the House;

Which was adopted.

Mr. McKernan gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution asking the general government for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a ship canal from Portage Lake to Lake Superior.

Mr. Maxwell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the improvement of the mouth of the Saginaw river, and providing for a grant of swamp lands to aid in defraying the cost of making the same.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the fortieth rule of the House be amended by inserting below the word “salines,” the words “committee on war bounties;”

The resolution was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Luther,

The House adjourned until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

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Lansing, Monday, January 9, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Burgess.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, Messrs. M. D. Howard, Laing, O'Grady and Wells.

Mr. Griswold asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. M. D. Howard, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Phillips asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Laing for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Wendell asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. O'Grady for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Williams asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Wells for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Morton: petition of W. H. Boyd, John Burch, and 38 others, citizens of Monroe county, praying for such action on the tax law as will enable persons to pay taxes and save percentage for collection;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

By Mr. Cady: petition of Frank Warner and others, citizens of the township of Macomb, Macomb county, for the passage of a law enabling the electors of said township at their next annual meeting to raise a tax upon the taxable property of said township;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Miles: petition of members of the bar of the county of St. Clair, praying for the payment of the traveling expenses of the judges of the several circuit courts of this State;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Slocum: memorial of the township board of the township of Wright, in the county of Hillsdale, asking the passage of a law legalizing their action in raising bounties for volunteers;

Also,

Memorial of the township board of the township of Wheatland, in the county of Hillsdale, asking for the passage of a law legalizing their action in raising bounties for volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Mallary: resolutions of the board of supervisors of Macomb county, relative to the fees of supervisors;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary. .

By Mr. Woodman: petition of Hon. John D. Woodworth, claiming the seat now occupied in this House by Hon. Henry B. Hawley.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The petition was referred to the committee on elections, and ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the petition:

To the Honorable the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan :

The undersigned petitioner respectfully begs leave to represent that he is a resident of the county of Ingham, in said State of Michigan, and that at the last general election held in said State, your petitioner was, as he verily believes, duly and legally elected to the office of Representative in the State Legislature for the Second Representative District, in the county of Ingham, as will appear from record of the Board of Canvassers of said representative district. Your petitioner would further represent that Henry B. Hawley was the opposing candidate for the office of Representative in said district, and that the vote as canvassed by the Board of Canvassers of said district, and recorded in the Clerk's office of said county, is as follows:

The whole number of votes given for the office of Representative was sixteen hundred and forty-four, of which eight hundred and thirty-four were given for your petitioner, John D. Woodworth, eight hundred and six for Henry B. Hawley, and four for John W. Woodruff.

From the foregoing, it clearly appears that your petitioner received a majority of all the votes cast, and would, therefore,

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ask that an investigation be ordered by your honorable body, and if the facts appear as stated, that he be admitted a member of this House, for the said second representative district of the county of Ingham, in place of Henry B. Hawley, the sitting member.

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN D. WOODWORTH.

By Mr. Woodman: petition of Hon. Lucien Reed, claiming the seat now occupied in this House by Hon. Joseph C. Bailey.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The petition was referred to the committee on elections, and ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the petition:

To the Honorable the House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned petitioner respectfully begs leave to represent that he is a resident of the county of Ingham, in said State of Michigan, and that at the last general election held in said State of Michigan, he was, as he believes, duly and legally elected to the office of Representative in the State Legislature, for the first representative district in said county of Ingham, as will appear from the record of the board of canvassers of said representative district, and the statement of the soldiers' vote, as returned by the Board of State canvassers, and now on file in the clerk's office of said county of Ingham. Your petitioner would further represent, that Joseph C. Bailey was the opposing candidate for the said office of Representative in said district, and that the whole number of votes given for the office of Representative was two thousand one hundred and eighty-nine, of which your petitioner, Lucien Reed, received one thousand and one hundred and eighteen; Joseph C. Bailey one thousand and thirty-eight, and Joseph Gale thirty-three.

From the foregoing, it appears that your petitioner received a majority of all the votes cast, and therefore asks that an investigation be ordered by this House, and that if he be found entitled, he be admitted a member of this House for the first

representative district of the county of Ingham, in place of Joseph C. Bailey, the sitting member.

Respectfully submitted,

LUCIEN REED.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following special committee on the reference of the Governors' messages, in accordance with a previous resolution of the House: Messrs. Wilcox, Griswold, Hazen, Copley and McKernan.

The Speaker announced the following:

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Lansing, January 9, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR:—I have this day appointed Henry S. Hilton, of Clinton county, Assistant Clerk, pursuant to a resolution of the House.

Very respectfully,

N. B. JONES,

Clerk.

Mr. Hilton came forward, and after having subscribed and sworn to the constitutional oath, entered upon the discharge of the duties of his office.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following

STANDING COMMITTEES.

Ways and Means—Messrs. Green, G. W. Allen, Wilcox, Warner and R. Hawley.

Judiciary—Messrs. Griswold, G. C. Jones, Lewis, Chipman and Maxwell.

Federal Relations—Messrs. Brockway, Griswold, Mickley, Ball and Morton.

State Affairs—Messrs. Cobb, Jenness, J. H. Jones, Graham and M. D. Howard.

Banks and Incorporations—Messrs. Mallary, Boies, White, J. C. Bailey and Gies.

Public Lands—Messrs. Hazen, Winsor, Yawkey, Dunlap and McKernan.

Elections—Messrs. Winsor, Welch, Mickley, Wells and Colwell.

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- Internal Improvements*—Messrs. Van Vleet, Lapham, Shier, Stuart and May.
- Agriculture and Manufactures*—Messrs. Luther, Haynes, Thayer, Osborn and Cady.
- Education*—Messrs. Williams, W. T. Smith, Seymour, Kenney and Wells.
- Harbors*—Messrs. Yawkey, Packard, Carlton, Wendell and Pitts.
- Roads and Bridges*—Messrs. Fellows, Keeler, L. Smith, Nixon and Forbes.
- Towns and Counties*—Messrs. Ball, Sanderson, Utley, Willits and Dort.
- Military Affairs*—Messrs. Woodman, Beach, Bonine, A. Allen and O'Grady.
- Geological Survey*—Messrs. Lewis, O. F. Howard, James Bayley, H. B. Hawley, and Haire.
- Rules and Joint Rules*—Messrs. Monroe, Runyan, Rowe, Woodruff and Dusseau.
- Engrossment and Enrollment*—Messrs. Landon, W. T. Smith, Green, Fellows and Look.
- Printing*—Messrs. Slocum, Kenney, Laing, Schars and Bend.
- Asylum for Insane*—Messrs. Stewart, Woodman, Woodward, Thayer and Morton.
- Asylum for Deaf, Dumb and Blind*—Messrs. Bonine, Newcomb, Mackay, Hazen and Chipman.
- Salina*—Messrs. Taylor, Aitkin, Camburn, Jewell and Maxwell.
- War Bounties*—Messrs. Warner, Fisher, Copley Phillips and Miles.
- Mines and Minerals*—Messrs. G. C. Jones, McKernan, O'Grady, Bois and Woodward.
- Supplies*—Messrs. Welch, Munger and Horton.
- Indian Affairs*—Messrs. Dunlap, Carlton and Wendell.
- State Prison*—Messrs. Wilcox, Cobb and Miller.

State Library—Messrs. Newcomb, Tupper and Thomas.

Reform School—Messrs. Swift, Seymour and Bartow.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

By the select committee appointed to wait upon the clergy of Lansing, and invite them to officiate as Chaplain of the House:

The committee appointed to wait upon the resident clergy of this city, and invite them to officiate as Chaplain of this House during its session, have performed that duty, and report that the clergy have made arrangements to alternate as Chaplain.

Your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman*.

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

By the select committee on reference of the Governors' messages:

The select committee to whom it was referred, by a resolution of the House, to designate and recommend a reference to the proper standing committees of the subjects embraced in the messages of the Governor and retiring Governor, have considered the same, and respectfully recommend that they be referred as follows, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject:

WM. S. WILCOX, *Chairman*.

1st. That so much of the Governors' messages as relate to the State finances, the public debt, and the levying and collection of taxes, be referred to the committee on ways and means;

2d. That so much as relates to the State Prison, be referred to the committee on State Prison;

3d. That so much as relates to education, be referred to the committee on education;

4th. That so much as relates to the Agricultural College, be referred to the committees on agriculture and education, jointly;

5th. That so much as relates to public lands, and public roads, to be built by the appropriation of public lands, be referred to the committee on public lands;

6th. That so much as relates to Insane Asylum, be referred to the committee on same;

7th. That so much as relates to the manufacture and inspection of salt, be referred to the committee on salines;

8th. That so much as relates to the Deaf, Dumb and Blind Asylum, be referred to the committee on same;

9th. That so much as relates to laws regulating the trial and conviction of inmates of the Reform School, and so much as relates to revision of the Constitution, and so much as relates to an amendment of the laws permitting soldiers in the field to vote, be referred to the committee on judiciary;

10th. That so much as relates to Reform School, except as hereinbefore provided, be referred to the committee on the same;

11th. That so much as relates to the Military Department be referred to the committee on military affairs;

12th. That so much as relates to national affairs, be referred to the committee on federal relations;

13th. That so much as relates to the payment of soldiers' bounty, State and local, be referred to the committee on war bounties;

14th. That so much as relates to the subject of immigration, to the development of the natural resources of the State, be referred to the committee on State affairs;

15th. That so much as relates to manufactures and their encouragement, be referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures;

16th. That so much as relates to Geology and Geological surveys, be referred to the committee on geological survey.

WM. S. WILCOX, *Chairman.*

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The recommendations of the committee were concurred in by the House.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 9, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That of each bill and joint resolution ordered printed three hundred copies be furnished for the use of the members of the Legislature;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution.

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Mr. Mickley offered the following:

Resolved, That the person having charge of the capitol building and ground, be and he is hereby directed, to forthwith cause the walks around the same and within the enclosure, to be cleared of ice and snow so as to be passable and safe; and that hereafter, during the session of this Legislature, he cause said walks to be kept in a passable condition;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Aitken gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the city and township of Flint, for the year 1864.

Mr. J. H. Jones gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 818, of the compiled laws, as amended by act No. 129 of session laws of 1863;

Also,

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- 6th. That so much as relates to Insane Asylum, be referred to the committee on same;
- 7th. That so much as relates to the manufacture and inspection of salt, be referred to the committee on salines;
- 8th. That so much as relates to the Deaf, Dumb and Blind Asylum, be referred to the committee on same;
- 9th. That so much as relates to laws regulating the trial and conviction of inmates of the Reform School, and so much as relates to revision of the Constitution, and so much as relates to an amendment of the laws permitting soldiers in the field to vote, be referred to the committee on judiciary;
- 10th. That so much as relates to Reform School, except as hereinbefore provided, be referred to the committee on the same;
- 11th. That so much as relates to the Military Department be referred to the committee on military affairs;
- 12th. That so much as relates to national affairs, be referred to the committee on federal relations;
- 13th. That so much as relates to the payment of soldiers' bounty, State and local, be referred to the committee on war bounties;
- 14th. That so much as relates to the subject of immigration, to the development of the natural resources of the State, be referred to the committee on State affairs;
- 15th. That so much as relates to manufactures and their encouragement, be referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures;
- 16th. That so much as relates to Geology and Geological surveys, be referred to the committee on geological survey.

WM. S. WILCOX, *Chairman.*

The report was accepted and the committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The recommendations of the committee were concurred in by the House.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be instructed to procure the publication of the out-going and in-coming Governor's messages in the Journal of this House.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Van Vleet gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill granting swamp lands to the county of Genesee to aid in cutting drains through a certain swamp in said county;

Also,

A bill to amend section 34, of chapter 17, of the compiled laws, relative to the duties of supervisors.

Mr. Look gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution to provide for an amendment to the constitution, to extend the right of suffrage to citizens in the military service of the United States, beyond the limits of this State;

Also,

A bill to amend section seven, of chapter one hundred and sixty-six, of the compiled laws, relative to punishment of fraudulent debtors.

Mr. R. Hawley offered the following:

Resolved, That the chairman of the committee on supplies be instructed to furnish, at the lowest possible cost, one copy of Farmer's Pocket Railroad and Township Map to each of the members of this House.

Mr. Brockway moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the word "members," the words "and officers;"

Which amendment was accepted.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

Mr. Hazen gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for reorganizing the State into senatorial and representative districts.

Mr. Smith gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill authorizing the several township boards in Gratiot county to issue bonds to certain amounts, for soldiers' bounty.

Mr. Boies gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 979 of the compiled laws, relative to duties upon sales at auction.

Mr. Shier moved to take from the table the papers in the contested election case of Clements vs. Miller;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shier,

The papers were referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. Murwee, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 50, chapter 134, of the compiled laws.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Murwee, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A joint resolution for the relief of William Dingman.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Morton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act, to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the relief, by counties, of the families of volunteers mustered from this State into the military service of the United States, or of this State, approved May 4, 1861, and to add certain sections thereto, approved January 17, 1862, approved March 20, 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Mallary, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 80, of chapter 10, of the compiled laws, relative to the compensation of supervisors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Landon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sandstone, Jackson county, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Mallary, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to change the name of Truman W. Willey, of the town of Ray, in the county of Macomb, to Truman Gass.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Boies gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the township of Rollin, in the county of Lenawee, to refund certain moneys paid as a bounty to volunteers, to fill the quota of said township.

Mr. Welch gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 11, of chapter 175, of the compiled laws, relative to the fees of sheriffs and other officers.

Mr. Mallary gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution for the relief of David W. Noyes, Loren Andrews, Unn Miller, and Hiram W. Miller.

Mr. Yawkey gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the issue of certain bounty scrip, by the city of East Saginaw.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Being the consideration of the following resolution:

Resolved, That rule No. 41 be amended, by striking from the

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List of committees—that consist of but three members each—
“**mines and minerals;**” and that rule No. 40 be amended, by
adding to the committees that consist of five members each,
“**mines and minerals;**”

Which was adopted.

Also the following resolution:

Resolved, That a standing committee on fisheries be appointed
to consist of five members, and that rule No. 40 be amended to
that effect;

Which was adopted.

Also the following resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Secretary of the
Senate, and the clerk of the House, be requested to procure a
sufficient number of copies of “**A Key to the Compiled Laws,**”
by William T. Young, of Detroit, to furnish each member of the
Senate and House, one copy during the session, at a cost of not
exceeding 75 cents per copy.

Mr. Woodman moved to amend the resolution by striking out
“**75**” and inserting “**25,**” in lieu thereof;

Pending which,

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Mr. Griswold,

was referred to the committee on printing.

Mr. Morton,

adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Tuesday, January 10, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to
order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Meyer.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, Mr. J. C. Bailey.

The Speaker announced the following appointments, in ac-
cordance with resolutions of the House, previously adopted:

Committee on Fisheries.—Messrs. Wendell, Taylor, Nowland,
Packard and Dusseau.

Additional members to the Committee on Mines and Minerals
—Messrs. Boies and Woodward.

William Rhodes, Assistant Sergeant-at-Arms, being present, came forward, and after having subscribed and sworn to the constitutional oath, entered upon the discharge of his duties.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Willits: petition of the board of supervisors of Hillsda'e county, asking the passage of a law authorizing the townships in said county to equalize and refund moneys raised to pay bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Kenney: petition of John Caley and 40 others, citizens of the township of Oregon, in the county of Lapeer, asking for the passage of a law legalizing their action in said township in paying bounty to men drafted into the military service of the United States;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. White: petition of Henry Jackson and 290 others, citizens of Gunplain, Allegan county, asking the Legislature to authorize the township to collect by tax \$1,800, paid as bounty to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Woodward: petition of W. O. Grandy and 101 others, citizens of the township of Napoleon, Jackson county, asking the passage of a law enabling said township to raise by tax a certain amount of money to refund moneys borrowed for bounty purposes;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. McKay: petition of Daniel Woolsey and 71 others, citizens of the township of Marshall, in the county of Calhoun, asking for the passage of a special act authorizing the refunding of certain moneys paid by citizens to volunteers under the call for 500,000 men;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Ball: petition of the board of supervisors of Livings-

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ten county, relative to the plank road running from Detroit to Lansing;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Ball: petition of the board of supervisors of Livingston county, relative to the dog law;

Referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures.

By Mr. Woodman: petition of E. A. Smith and 35 others, citizens of Antwerp, Van Buren county, asking for the passage of an act to authorize said township to raise by tax, upon the taxable property of said township, a sum sufficient to pay a bounty of \$200 to each person enlisting from said township into the military service of the United States, or of this State;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Sanderson: petition of G. A. Kelley and 68 others, citizens of the township of Newton, in the county of Calhoun, asking that a law be passed allowing said township to refund certain money paid to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Stewart: petition of the board of supervisors of St. Joseph county, for an increase of *per diem* wages to supervisors;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Stewart: petition of the board of supervisors of St. Joseph county, for the enactment of a law allowing the townships of said county, by vote, to raise \$200 bounty to volunteers;

Also, petition of Judge P. M. Smith, of county officers, of supervisors and citizens of St. Joseph county, for the reenactment of sections one and two, of the act of 1864, relative to bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Williams: petition of H. M. Marshall and 20 others, legal voters of school district No. 2, in the township of Lawrence, in the county of Van Buren, asking permission to issue the bonds of said district, for building a school-house;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Warner: petition of Hiram G. and Julia E. Saxton,

asking that the name of an adopted child may be established as Julia Adell Saxton;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Look: petition of A. B. Cudworth and 106 others, citizens of Oakland county, praying for a revision of the fee bill relative to township and county officers;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on elections:

The committee on elections, to whom was referred the petition of Lucien Reed, claiming the seat of Joseph C. Bailey in this House, from the first representative district of Ingham county, respectfully report that they find the facts in the case to be as follows: There were 2,049 votes, exclusive of the soldiers' vote, cast in said representative district, of which Joseph C. Bailey received 1,015; Lucien Reed, 1,001; and Joseph Gale 33; making for Joseph C. Bailey a majority of 14 on the home vote. Upon which majority, the board of district canvassers of said first representative district of Ingham county, seem to have declared Joseph C. Bailey duly elected to the office of representative for said district, thereby refusing to canvass the soldiers' vote returned by the Secretary of State for said district, under what pretence, or by what authority, your committee has been unable to learn, nor has any person presumed to defend the illegal and unjust, if not corrupt action, of the said board of canvassers, in refusing to canvass such vote.

Your committee also find that there was before said district board of canvassers a legally certified statement of the canvass of soldiers' votes for said district, by the board of State canvassers, under the provisions of act No. 21, of the laws of 1864, setting forth that there were 140 votes cast for the office of representative for the first representative district of Ingham county, under the provisions of said act, of which 117 were given for Lucien Reed, and 23 for Joseph C. Bailey, making a

majority for Lucien Reed of 84 on the soldiers' vote, and a majority of 70 on the total vote of the district.

In view of these facts, your committee cannot but recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted, and have therefore directed their chairman to report the following resolution, and recommend its passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject:

Resolved, That Lucien Reed is entitled to the seat in this House, now occupied by Joseph C. Bailey, from the first representative district of Ingham county.

RICHARD WINSOR, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Woodman moved that the resolution accompanying the report be adopted.

Mr. Morton moved to recommit the subject to the committee on elections, and that said committee be given power to send for persons and papers;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Woodman's motion was then agreed to, and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Reed then came forward, and after having subscribed the constitutional oath, took his seat as a member of the Legislature of Michigan.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. McKernan gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill forming the twelfth (12th) judicial circuit;

Also,

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Houghton county to draw certain swamp land money, and to expend the same on the Le Anse Bay and State Line State Road, and for other purposes;

Also,

A joint resolution asking the general government for a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Mineral Range Railroad.

Mr. Miles offered the following:

Resolved, That rule 45 of the Rules of this House be and hereby is amended by inserting the words "and circuit," after the words "judges of the supreme," and by inserting the word "courts" in the place of the word "court;"

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bonine gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill asking for the privilege of daming the St. Joseph river at or near Niles, in the county of Berrien;

Also,

A bill asking a for a grant of land from the General Government, to aid in the improvement of the St. Joseph, between the State line of Indiana and the mouth of said river.

Mr. Swift gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the trustees of fractional school district No. 2, Plymouth and Novi, to issue bonds to complete the payment for building school-house, and other purposes;

Also,

A bill for laying out and constructing the following State roads, to-wit: Commencing at the south-west corner of section 16, town 2 south, range nine east, running easterly to the quarter stake between sections 14 and 23. Also, commencing at south-east corner section 28, running northeasterly to north-east corner section 15, and asking appropriation of swamp lands therefor.

Mr. Jenness offered the following:

Resolved, That there be ordered printed, for the use of this House, to be equally distributed among the members and officers, the following documents: Auditor General's Report, 1,000 copies; State Treasurer's Report, 1,000 copies; Reform School Report, 500 copies; Adjutant General's Report, (one-half for the use of the army,) 4,000 copies; Quartermaster General's Report, (one-half for the use of the army,) 2,000 copies.

On motion of Mr. Chipman,

The resolution was referred to the committee on printing.

Mr. Wilcox offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on supplies and expenditures ascertain, and report at their earliest convenience, upon the propriety and expense of furnishing each member of this House with a brief abstract of the census of 1864, similar to that accompanying the manual of the last Legislature, showing the population of counties, townships, cities and villages, for the purpose of enabling this Legislature to properly re-arrange the Senate districts, and apportion anew the Representatives, as required by the constitution;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Keeler gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 3, of act No. 23, of session laws of 1864, entitled "an act authorizing the payment of bounties to volunteers in the service of the United States."

Mr. Warner gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 364 of the compiled laws, relative to the compensation of the members of the board of supervisors.

Mr. Jewell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to improve the navigation of Rogue River by means of a State swamp land appropriation.

Mr. Boies gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to enable lodges of Free and Accepted Masons to become incorporate bodies.

Mr. Hazen gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize evidence of debt issued by the township board of the township of Riley, St. Olair county, for the purpose of paying war bounties in said township.

Mr. Mallary gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 2, 8, 9, 10 and 13, of the compiled laws, relative to the distraining of beasts.

Mr. Wendell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill asking for a grant of swamp lands in Mackinac county for the location of the county poor and work-houses for said county;

Also,

A bill to lay out and build a State road by the most direct and feasible route from Point St. Ignace, on the Straits of Michilimackinac, in Mackinac county, to Negan-see, in the county of Marquette.

Mr. Woodruff gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the voters of the township of St. Joseph, Berrien county, in raising moneys for the payment of bounties to volunteers to fill the quota of said township.

Mr. Pitts gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to amend section 8, of act No. 257, of session laws of 1859, relative to fees of commissioners of highways in certain cases."

Mr. Haynes gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the people of the city of Coldwater; also of the towns of Coldwater, Girard and Union, in paying bounties to volunteers to fill their respective quotas, and authorizing the spreading of the same by tax, upon the property of said city and townships respectively.

Mr. Look gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution to provide for an amendment to section 1, of article 14, of the Constitution, by authorizing towns, villages and cities to tax private corporations for municipal purposes;

Also,

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A bill to authorize towns, villages and cities, to tax private corporations for municipal purposes.

Mr. Bartow gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend section three thousand nine hundred of the compiled laws, the same being section 248, of chapter 117, of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled, of courts held by justices of the peace, approved March 14th, 1863;

Also,

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to authorize proceedings against garnishees, and for other purposes, approved March 28th, 1849, being chapter 141 of the compiled laws.

Mr. McKernan, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A joint resolution asking the government of the United States for a grant of land in aid of the construction of a ship canal from Portage Lake to Lake Superior.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Warner, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to establish the name of Julia Adell Saxton.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Mallary, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize any of the towns of the counties of Oakland and Macomb to pledge their credit to aid in the construction of a railroad from Ridgeway, on the Grand Trunk Railway, to or near the village of Holly, on the Detroit and Milwaukee Railroad.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. G. C. Jones, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A joint resolution asking the government of the United States for a grant of lands in aid of the construction of a harbor at the mouth of Ontonagon river, on the south shore of Lake Superior.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Mallary, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A joint resolution for the relief of David W. Noyes, Loren Andrews, Unn Miller and Hiram W. Miller.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time, by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Look, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 7, of chapter 166, of the compiled laws, relative to the punishment of fraudulent debtors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. J. H. Jones, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 818 of the compiled laws, relative to State, county and township taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time, by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Miles, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to encourage the production of petroleum oil in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Aitken, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the

city and township of Flint, in the county of Genesee, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Utley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to lay out and establish a State road in the counties of Mecosta, Osceola, and Missaukee, and to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Van Vleet, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend sections 34 and 35, of chapter 17, of the compiled laws, relating to the assessing and collecting of taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Welch, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 11 of chapter 175 of the compiled laws of the State of Michigan, relative to the fees of sheriffs.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Van Vleet, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill granting swamp lands to the county of Genesee to aid in cutting drains through a certain swamp in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the Forest Valley Salt Manufacturing company to engage in the manufacture of lumber.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize the assessment roll of the township of Richland, in the county of Saginaw, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Fisher offered the following:

Resolved, That there be two members added to the committee on State Prison.

Mr. Morton offered the following as a substitute therefor:

Resolved, That the Speaker be and he is hereby authorized to add two members to such standing committees of the House, during the session, as he may deem necessary;

Which was adopted.

Mr. G. C. Jones gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Ontonagon to raise money, by tax or otherwise, for the protecting and improving of the harbor at the mouth of Ontonagon river ;

Also,

A bill to establish a State road in the Upper Peninsula, to be known as the Ontonagon and Pewabic State Road;

Also,

A bill to amend an act to provide for the formation of companies to construct canals or harbors, and to improve the same;

Also,

A bill to establish a State road in the Upper Peninsula, to be known as the further extension of the Mineral Range State Road.

Mr. Maxwell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution instructing our Senators and requesting our Representatives in Congress, to procure from the government of the United States an appropriation of money, or a

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grant of public lands, for the removal of the bar at the mouth of Saginaw river.

Mr. Griswold offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on judiciary, be and is hereby authorized to appoint and employ a clerk of said committee, at a per diem allowance not exceeding \$3;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Woodman moved to take from the table the following resolution:

Resolved, That all refuse papers accumulating in the House during the session thereof, be preserved and placed under the charge of the committee on supplies, and that the same be donated to the Ladies' Soldiers' Aid Association of the city of Lansing;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Woodman moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the words "waste paper," the words, "and remnants of candles;"

Which was agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

Mr. Brockway offered the following:

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be allowed to the Ladies' Soldiers' Aid Society of Lansing, for the delivery of a lecture upon the "Huguenots," by Hon. Morgan L. Drake, on the evening of the 25th inst.

Mr. Maxwell moved that the resolution be laid on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The resolution was not adopted.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That our Senators in Congress are instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their influence in procuring the passage by Congress, of an act for the protection of the frontier in the State of Michigan, by the establishment of military posts and fortifications;

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The resolution was referred to the committee on federal relations.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Mr. Lucien Reed on the committee on banks and incorporations, in place of Mr. J. C. Bailey.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 11, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Potter.

Roll called: quorum present.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Mr. Matterson Bennett, of Lansing, as Fireman, and John Lee, of Lansing, as Assistant Fireman.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Winsor: petition of N. Hanny and 24 others, citizens of Huron county, praying for an appropriation to construct a State road from Wild Fowl Bay to the forks of Cass river;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Lewis: petition of A. J. Leach and others, citizens of Tuscola county, asking that the east half of sections one and twelve, of Tuscola, in Tuscola county, be annexed to Vassar, in said county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Fisher: petition of the officers and guards of the Michigan State Prison, for an increase of their salaries;

Referred to the committee on State Prison.

By Mr. Sanderson: petition of Allen Wood, Chas. E. Harvey and William Birmingham, committee of the township of Burlington, Calhoun county, asking that a law be passed legalizing the action of said township in paying bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Green: petition of the board of supervisors of Eaton county, asking for the passage of a law enabling towns to raise by tax and refund bounty subscriptions; and also that the law may be amended so that towns may raise by tax more than one hundred dollars for each volunteer;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Morton: memorial in relation to the salaries of circuit judges;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Dussean: petition of A. J. Keeney and 80 others, of Erie, Monroe county, to extend the time for the collection of taxes in said township;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

By Mr. Copley: petition of the board of supervisors of Cass county in regard to increase of bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Copley: resolution of the board of supervisors of Cass county in regard to increase of compensation of township officers;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. J. H. Jones: petition of twelve electors of Quincy, Branch county, praying for a law authorizing boards of supervisors to alter the corporate boundaries of villages;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Haynes: petition of A. J. Chauncey, and 50 others, asking the Legislature to legalize the action of the people of Girard, in paying bounties to volunteers;

Also, remonstrance of J. M. Aiken and 18 others, against the same;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Chipman: petition of Francis Leyden, crier of the supreme court at Detroit, for an amendment to act 66, session laws of 1861, relative to increase of salary;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Lapham: petition of Ira Peck and 80 others, citizens

of the township of Barry, in the county of Barry, praying for the passage of a law authorizing the State to refund certain moneys paid as bounties to volunteers by said township;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Aitken: petition of G. A. French and 59 others, citizens of Genesee county, asking the passage of a law to provide for compensating owners of sheep for damage done by dogs;

Referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That our Senators in Congress are instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their influence in procuring the passage by Congress, of an act for the protection of the frontier in the State of Michigan, by the establishment of military posts and fortifications;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend its adoption by the House, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROCKWAY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. R. Hawley moved that the further consideration of the resolution be postponed for one week;

Mr. Welch moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The motion of Mr. R. Hawley was agreed to.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to change the name of Truman P. Willey, of the town of Ray, in the county of Macomb, to Truman Gass,

Respectfully report, that by act No. 26, of the session laws of 1861, first session, an expeditious and cheap way is provided

for changing the names of persons through the action of the probate judge of the county where the party resides. This act was intended and was well adapted to furnish all the necessary facilities of this kind, and to save constant legislation upon such subjects.

Your committee is of the opinion that the parties interested in this bill should seek their object under the provisions of the above mentioned act, and have directed me to report the bill back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the city and township of Flint, in the county of Genesee, for the year 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred A bill to lay out and establish a State road in the counties of Mecosta, Osceola and Missaukee, and to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes thereon,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,

and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on elections:

The committee on elections, to whom was referred the petition of James Clements, asking for the seat in this House now occupied by John F. Miller, from the second representative district of Washtenaw county, respectfully report, that John F. Miller admits that James Clements has a majority of the votes in said district, if the law allowing soldiers in the field to vote is constitutional, and informs your committee that he will make no further claim to the seat, unless the Supreme Court decides such law unconstitutional. Therefore, your committee have instructed their chairman to report the following resolution, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject:

Resolved, That James Clements is entitled to a seat in this House from the second representative district of Washtenaw county.

RICHARD WINSOR, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The resolution accompanying the report was adopted.

Mr. Clements then came forward, and after having subscribed and sworn to the constitutional oath, took his seat as a member of the Legislature of Michigan.

By the committee on elections:

The committee on elections, to whom was referred the petition of John D. Woodworth, claiming the seat occupied by Henry B. Hawley, in this House, from the Second Representative District of Ingham county, respectfully report, that they find John D. Woodworth has a majority of 28 by canvassing the soldiers' vote of said district, duly returned in accordance with law, which your committee find from a certified copy of the record was rejected upon the decision of the board of dis-

strict canvassers of said district, that the law extending to the soldier in the field the right of suffrage is unconstitutional. This seems to your committee a species of that professedly deep-felt sympathy for the soldier, previous to his exercising the right of the elective franchise, which could only originate from a board of canvassers, constituting themselves a supreme court of self-interest, clothed in a cloak of constitutional-bound patriotism, so transparent that the man born blind can see through it and behold all the inward workings. Your committee, fearing that the soldiers cannot appreciate that kind of sympathy, have instructed their chairman to report the following resolution, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject:

Resolved, That John D. Woodworth is entitled to the seat in this House, now occupied by Henry B. Hawley, from the Second Representative District of Ingham county.

RICHARD WINSOR, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The resolution accompanying the report was adopted.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

Joint resolution for the relief of William Dingman,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A joint resolution asking the government of the United States to make a grant of land to aid in the construction of a

harbor at the mouth of the Ontonagon river, in the State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A joint resolution asking the government of the United States for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a ship canal from Portage Lake to Lake Superior,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed; referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on printing:

The committee on printing, to whom was referred the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House be requested to procure a sufficient number of copies of "A Key to the Compiled Laws," by William T. Young, of Detroit, to furnish each member of the Senate and House one copy during the session, at a cost not exceeding 75 cents per copy,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to

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the House,
striking out
that when so

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and recommend that the resolution be amended by inserting "25," in lieu thereof, and so amended, recommend that it be adopted by the House, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. B. SLOCUM, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The amendment recommended by the committee was concurred in.

Mr. Bartow moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "during the session;"

Which motion did not prevail.

The resolution was then adopted.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The special committee appointed by order of the House to ascertain and report the number of copies of the outgoing and incoming Governors' messages that were needed for the use of the members and officers of this House, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report that, as near as they can determine, one thousand copies of each of the messages, in the English language, will be sufficient to supply the members and officers of this House.

Your committee, after making diligent investigation, are not prepared to recommend the printing of the messages in any of the foreign languages. The number of persons who would be reached by these documents in any of the foreign languages, and who will not become acquainted with their contents if printed only in our national language, your committee are led to believe is very small, to say nothing of the vexatious delays that have heretofore attended the efforts to produce these documents in the foreign languages.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Chipman moved to add to the recommendations of the com-

mittee, that 500 copies of the Governors' messages be printed in the German language;

Mr. Hawley moved to amend the amendment by striking out "five hundred," and inserting in lieu thereof "two hundred;"

Which was accepted.

Mr. Chipman demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the amendment was not adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Cady,
Chipman,
Clements,
Colwell,
Dort,
Haire,
Hawley,
Horton,

Mr. G. C. Jones,
Luther,
Mallary,
May,
McKernan,
Miles,
O'Grady,
Packard,

Mr. Pitts,
Schars,
W. T. Smith,
Tupper,
Utlely,
Welch,
Winsor,
Yawkey,

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NAYS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carlton,
Cobb,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haynes,
Hazen,

Mr. O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Maxwell,
McKay,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
Osborn,
Phillips,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
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Williams,
Woodman,
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Mr. Look moved to reconsider the vote just taken;

Mr. Morton moved to lay the motion to reconsider on the table;

Which was not agreed to.

The motion to reconsider prevailed.

Mr. Luther then moved to amend the amendment by inserting after the word "message" the words "and 200 copies in the Holland language."

Mr. Winsor moved that the whole matter be recommitted to the select committee;

Mr. Warner moved that the subject be referred to the committee on printing;

Which was agreed to.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 10, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That the committee on the part of the Senate, and also on the part of the House, whose duties are to examine into and report to their respective Houses, the condition and wants of the several Asylums, State Prison, etc., be considered a joint committee, and, as such, be authorized to visit, at some future and convenient day, those institutions, in order that they may properly report;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Hazen,

The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Woodman offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be and are hereby instructed to report to this House, without unnecessary delay, a bill to provide for a uniform State bounty to volunteers, of one hundred dollars; also, a bill to authorize the military sub-districts of this State to raise, by tax or loan, an amount sufficient to pay each recruit credited upon the quota of such sub-district a bounty of two hundred dollars.

Mr. Williams offered the following as a substitute therefor:

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be instructed to inquire and report to this House, as soon as practicable, a bill allowing a uniform State bounty of two hundred dollars to each volunteer credited to their respective towns, on the draft now pending.

Mr. Monroe moved to amend the substitute by adding at the end thereof the following: "and a uniform county or township bounty of one hundred dollars to each volunteer so credited on the draft now pending, or upon any draft or call hereafter to be made;"

Mr. Swift moved that the whole subject be referred to the committee on war bounties;

Which was withdrawn.

Mr. Green moved that the resolution, substitute and amendment be made the special order for to-morrow at 2 o'clock P. M.;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Dort gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend chapter 17 of the compiled laws, relative to fees for collecting taxes.

Mr. Munger gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill amending the amendment to section twenty-six of the revised statutes of 1846, being section 5658 of the compiled laws, relative to rates of legal advertising.

Mr. Bayley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the township of Troy, in Oakland county, in raising moneys for war bounties.

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A bill to authorize the board of supervisors to alter the boundaries of villages.

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A bill to locate and erect a branch of the State Prison at Marquette county, in the Upper Peninsula;

Also,

A joint resolution asking the Government of the United States to establish a government foundry at Marquette, in the county of Marquette, Upper Peninsula.

Mr. Allen gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the township board of the township of Commerce, Oakland county, in raising moneys for the payment of bounties to volunteers to fill the quota of said township.

Mr. Pitts gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution in relation to a certain claim in the county of Monroe.

Mr. Chipman gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to the liability of municipal corporations for the misconduct of their contractors;

Also,

A bill to amend act No. 66, of the session laws of 1861, relative to the pay of crier of the Supreme Court;

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A joint resolution relative to the passport system now existing between the Province of Canada and the United States.

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The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

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A joint resolution in relation to the improvement of the mouth of the Saginaw river.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Warner, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 364 of the compiled laws, relative to the compensation of the board of supervisors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Dusseau gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to extend the time to collect taxes in the township of Erie, county of Monroe.

Mr. G. C. Jones gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section five hundred and seventy-nine of the compiled laws, being section eighty-seven, of chapter twelve, requiring overseers of highways to give bonds in double the amount of money that may come into their hands.

On motion of Mr. Cobb,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock

Lansing, Thursday, January 12, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Burns.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call without leave, Mr. Thayer.

Mr. Van Vleet asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Thayer, until Monday next.

Mr. Winsor announced that the Hon. Albert Pack was present, and desired to take his seat.

Mr. Pack then came forward, and after having sworn and subscribed to the constitutional oath, took his seat as a member of the Legislature of Michigan.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Mallary: resolutions passed at a special meeting of the township board of the township of Washington, in the county of Macomb, on the subject of war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. McKernan: resolution of the board of supervisors of Houghton county, asking the formation of a new judicial circuit, consisting of the counties of Ontonagon, Houghton, Keweenaw and Marquette;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Chipman: petition of many citizens of the county of Wayne, for a modification of the game law, relative to ducks.

Mr. Yawkey moved that the petition be referred to a select committee of five;

Which was agreed to.

By Mr. Warner: petition of the township board of Southfield, Oakland county, asking the legalization of certain bonds, issued by said township for bounty purposes;

Referred to the committee on war bounties

By Mr. Fellows: petition of E. C. Willson, Stephen Averill, and thirty-eight others, of the township of Climax, in the county of Kalamazoo, praying the passage of an act authorizing the refunding of bounties paid to volunteers;

Referred to ~~the~~ committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Haynes: petition of the township board of the township of Girard, Branch county, asking that the action of the people of said township in paying bounties to volunteers may be legalized;

Also,

A statement of the bounty committee of said township, showing the amount of money expended for that purpose;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Taylor: resolutions of the board of supervisors of Saginaw county, asking the Senate and House of Representatives to pass a law authorizing the county of Saginaw to raise by loan, the sum of \$100,000, for improving the Saginaw river;

Referred to the committee on harbors.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 7, of chapter 166, of the compiled laws, relative to the punishment of fraudulent debtors,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

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A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Ontonagon to raise money by tax, or otherwise, for the protection and improvement of the harbor at the mouth of the Ontonagon river,

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The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sandstone, in the county of Jackson, for the year 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to legalize the assessment roll of the township of Richland, in the county of Saginaw, for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

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A bill to amend sections 34 and 35, of chapter 17, of the
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taxes,

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A bill to amend section 364 of the compiled laws, relative to the compensation of the members of the board of supervisors,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the Forest Valley Salt Manufacturing Company to engage in the manufacture of lumber,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

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By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, would report that they have received from the State Treasurer's office the following communication:

STATE TREASURER'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, January 10, 1865. }

Hon. MR. MALLARY, Ch'n Com. on Banks and Incorporations:

DEAR SIR—Ten years ago the Government Stock Bank of this State failed, and the State Treasurer, in conformity to its charter, (act No. 204, laws of 1849,) sold the securities and redeemed the notes, which, for want of authority to burn or destroy, have remained in the office ever since. The vault of our office is small, and we cannot spare the room to store this large box, and as long as they are not destroyed there is danger of the notes falling into the hands of evil men, if they are to be a permanent fixture of the office. I respectfully suggest the passage of a law authorizing the State Treasurer to burn these

notes. I presume the law should be general in its terms, so as to apply to any future case.

Very respectfully,

JAMES TURNER,

Deputy Treasurer.

That they have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to bring in a bill in accordance with the suggestions of the State Treasurer, entitled

A bill to authorize the State Treasurer to burn and destroy the notes of the late Government Stock Bank, of Ann Arbor, now remaining in his office, and the notes of the other banks in like condition,

And would recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

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Mr. G. C. Jones gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section five hundred and seventy-nine of the compiled laws, being section eighty-seven, of chapter twelve,

requiring overseers of highways to give bonds in double the amount of money that may come into their hands.

On motion of Mr. Cobb,
The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock

Lansing, Thursday, January 12, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by the Rev. Mr. Burns.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call without leave, Mr. Thayer.

Mr. Van Vleet asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Thayer, until Monday next.

Mr. Winsor announced that the Hon. Albert Pack was present, and desired to take his seat.

Mr. Pack then came forward, and after having sworn and subscribed to the constitutional oath, took his seat as a member of the Legislature of Michigan.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Mallary: resolutions passed at a special meeting of the township board of the township of Washington, in the county of Macomb, on the subject of war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. McKernan: resolution of the board of supervisors of Houghton county, asking the formation of a new judicial circuit, consisting of the counties of Ontonagon, Houghton, Keweenaw and Marquette;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Chipman: petition of many citizens of the county of Wayne, for a modification of the game law, relative to ducks.

Mr. Yawkey moved that the petition be referred to a select committee of five;

Which was agreed to.

By Mr. Warner: petition of the township board of Southfield, Oakland county, asking the legalization of certain bonds, issued by said township for bounty purposes;

Referred to the committee on war bounties

By Mr. Fellows: petition of E. C. Willson, Stephen Averill, and thirty-eight others, of the township of Climax, in the county of Kalamazoo, praying the passage of an act authorizing the refunding of bounties paid to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Haynes: petition of the township board of the township of Girard, Branch county, asking that the action of the people of said township in paying bounties to volunteers may be legalized;

Also,

A statement of the bounty committee of said township, showing the amount of money expended for that purpose;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Taylor: resolutions of the board of supervisors of Saginaw county, asking the Senate and House of Representatives to pass a law authorizing the county of Saginaw to raise by loan, the sum of \$100,000, for improving the Saginaw river;

Referred to the committee on harbors.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 7, of chapter 166, of the compiled laws, relative to the punishment of fraudulent debtors,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Ontonagon to raise money by tax, or otherwise, for the protection and improvement of the harbor at the mouth of the Ontonagon river,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the

House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sandstone, in the county of Jackson, for the year 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to legalize the assessment roll of the township of Richland, in the county of Saginaw, for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

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The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill and joint resolution:

1. House bill No. 1, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the city and township of Flint, in the county of Genesee, for the year 1864;

2. House joint resolution No. 1, entitled

A joint resolution asking the government of the United States for a grant of land to aid in the construction of a ship canal from Portage Lake to Lake Superior;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

J. J. WOODMAN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hazen,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Luther,

The joint resolution was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The Speaker announced the following :

(COPY.)

[Telegram to the Governor of Michigan.]

"JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., Jan. 11, 1865.

FREE Missouri greets her elder sister.

T. C. FLETCHER."

Mr. Boies, by unanimous consent, offered the following :

Resolved, That this House hails with delight the announcement of the act by which Missouri stands redeemed from the

course of chattel slavery; that we send her greeting, and joyfully welcome her to the sisterhood of free States.

Resolved, That it is our earnest desire that this good work may go on until every State shall become a free State, and the Union be restored to more than its former greatness and glory.

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House cause a copy of these resolutions to be forwarded to the Governor of Missouri;
Which was adopted.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,
The House went into committee of the whole on the special order,
Mr. Morton in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be and are hereby instructed to report to this House, without unnecessary delay, a bill to provide for a uniform State bounty to volunteers, of one hundred dollars; also, a bill to authorize the military sub-districts of this State to raise, by tax or loan, an amount sufficient to pay each recruit credited upon the quota of such sub-district a bounty of two hundred dollars.

Also the following substitute offered therefor by Mr. Williams:

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be instructed to inquire and report to this House, as soon as practicable, a bill allowing a uniform State bounty of two hundred dollars to each volunteer credited to their respective towns, on the draft now pending.

Also the following amendment to the substitute, offered by Mr. Monroe:

Amend the substitute by adding at the end thereof the following: "and a uniform county or township bounty of one

hundred dollars to each volunteer so credited on the draft now pending, or upon any draft or call hereafter to be made;"

Have made some progress therein, but not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

E. G. MORTON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted, and leave granted the committee to sit again.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 11, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following entitled joint resolution:

Joint resolution instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress to urge upon the general government the necessity of establishing a general naval recruiting and muster-in office for the State of Michigan,

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 12, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR:—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following joint resolution:

Senate joint resolution No. 1, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for submitting the question of a general revision of the Constitution of the State of Michigan, to the electors thereof,

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOMAS H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 12, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR:—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following entitled bills:

Senate bill No. 1, entitled

A bill to amend section four, of chapter eighty-six, of the revised statutes, being section three thousand three hundred and two of the compiled laws, relative to the appointment of guardians for minor children;

Also, Senate bill No. 3, entitled:

A bill to provide for the improvement of the navigation of Saginaw river, and to authorize the county of Saginaw to loan money in aid thereof;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a two-thirds vote of all the Senators elect been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on judiciary.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors;

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Friday, January 13, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Burgess.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll-call without leave, Mr. Beach.

Mr. Sanderson asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Beach for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Hawley asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Wednesday next.

Mr. Mallary asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Schars until Wednesday next.

Mr. Welch asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Wednesday next.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following special committee:

Special Committee on Game:—Messrs. Yawkey, Graham, Pack, Wendell and Chipman.

Also, the following additional members to the committee on State Prison:—Messrs. Fisher and Horton; in place of Mr. Miller, on the same committee, Mr. Clements.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Fisher: petition of Charles G. Davis and 22 others, citizens of Jackson county, asking for relief of the said Charles G. Davis, contractor for supplying the prison at Jackson with beef;

Referred to the committee on State prison.

By Mr. O. F. Howard: petition of Spencer Wetherby, for change of name;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Keeney: petition of William Hemingway and 8 others, members of the bar, and officers of the county of Lapeer, for the relief of the circuit judges;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Wilcox: memorial of the board of supervisors of the county of Lenawee, asking for the passage of an act author-

izing townships and cities to raise, by tax, sums sufficient to refund moneys advanced for bounty purposes;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. G. W. Allen: petition of John T. Holmes and others, praying for payment of salaries of circuit judges upon a specie basis;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. White: petition of the board of supervisors of Allegan county, on the subject of war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Aitken: petition of David Crawford and 50 others, residents of the township of Forest, county of Genesee, asking for the passage of a law to legalize the action of the electors of said township, in raising bounties to pay volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Lewis: petition of county officers of the county of Tuscola, relative to the salary of circuit judges;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Dort: petition of William A. Smith and 44 others, of the township of Redford, in the county of Wayne, praying for the passage of a law legalizing the action of the township board, to fill their quota under the 500,000 call;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A joint resolution in relation to a certain claim in the county of Monroe,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on supplies:

The committee on supplies, to whom was referred the matter of considering the propriety and report the expense of furnishing the members of this House with a brief abstract of the census of 1864, similar to that accompanying the manual of the last Legislature, showing the population of counties, towns, cities and villages, for the purpose of enabling this Legislature to properly re-arrange the Senate districts and apportion anew the representatives, as required by the Constitution,

Would report that they have made the necessary inquiry, and find we can have 150 copies for this House within ten days, without any expense. We therefore ordered 150 copies for the use of this House, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. WELCH, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 12, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That the committees on public lands and roads and bridges of the Senate, and the committee on public lands of the House, be directed to act as a joint committee in the consideration of the references made to said committees, (by their respective Houses,) of so much of the message of Governor Blair as relates to a grant of land by Congress to aid in building military and postal roads in this State;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Yawkey,

The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. L. Smith offered the following:

Whereas, The President of the United States having issued his proclamation calling for three hundred thousand men, to fill up the depleted ranks of our army;

And whereas, The State of Michigan, having a pride to respond to all requisitions from the general government in the future, as has been nobly responded to in the past, in supplying soldiers to maintain and defend the government and support the laws;

And whereas, It being necessary for the provision of certain laws relative to the payment of a uniform bounty to those enlisting, and also to protect the younger and more feeble portions of the State from the older and more wealthy localities, which are able to excel in raising local bounties, and thereby secure those who might be induced to enlist, and be credited to their respective places of enrollment; therefore,

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be and is hereby requested to report to this House, at as early a day as practicable, a bill authorizing the payment of a uniform State bounty of one hundred dollars, and also authorizing townships to raise a local bounty not exceeding two hundred dollars, to be paid to all those who hereafter enlist and are credited to their respective places of enrollment.

Mr. Dort moved to amend the resolution by striking out "\$100," and inserting "\$200," where it refers to a State bounty, and by striking out "\$200," and inserting "\$100," where it refers to town bounties;

Pending which,

Mr. Brockway moved that the resolution be made the special order, in connection with the other resolutions referring to the same subject;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Luther gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill authorizing the appointment of a Commissioner on the Lamont and Zealand State road, in Ottawa county, and appropriating swamp lands for the improvement of the same.

Mr. Munger gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to lay out and establish a State road, running north from the village of Ovid, Clinton county, through the village of Elsie, in said county, thence north by the most practicable route, intersecting the Ithaca and St. Charles State road, in town ten north, one west, Gratiot county, and appropriating certain swamp lands for constructing the same.

Mr. Mickley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the townships of Fairfield and Seneca, in the county of Lenawee, and to authorize the qualified electors of said townships to levy by tax and refund all moneys heretofore raised by notes, bonds or otherwise therein, with the understanding that the same should be refunded.

Mr. Reed gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the village of Mason, in the county of Ingham.

Mr. Van Vleet gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 17, of chapter 6, of the compiled laws, relative to holding general and special elections.

Mr. Cobb gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the Governor of this State to convey certain real estate.

Mr. Landon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the tax roll for the year 1864, in the township of Pulaski, Jackson county.

Mr. O'Grady gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the Commissioner of the Land Office to issue patents for certain lands granted to the State of Michigan, for railroad purposes.

Mr. Carleton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the improvement of White river, at the head of White lake, in Muskegon county, and will ask an appropriation of swamp land therefor.

Mr. Dunlap gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to establish a new judicial district in the northwestern portion of the Lower Peninsula.

Mr. Hazen gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the draining of a certain swamp in the townships of Lynn and Muzzy, in the county of St. Clair, and asking an appropriation of swamp lands for the same.

Mr. Morton offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be, and they are hereby instructed to bring in a bill providing the death penalty for murder in the first degree.

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. G. C. Jones, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 579 of the compiled laws, being section 87, of chapter 12, requiring overseers of highways to give bonds in a sum double the amount of money that shall come into their hands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Boies, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend act No. 248, of the laws of 1859, entitled "An act to regulate fire, marine, life and health insurance companies, and their agents, associations, partnerships, and individuals doing fire, marine, life and health insurance business, not incorporated by the State of Michigan," approved February 15, 1859.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. O. F. Howard, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to change the name of Spencer Wetherby to Spencer Ward.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Brockway offered the following:

Whereas, The Hon. Austin Blair, whose valedictory message was delivered in this House on the 5th instant, has retired to private life;

And Whereas, The four years of his administration have been the most laborious, as well as the most perilous in the history both of the State and of the nation, with eleven of the most Southern States banded together in the most unprovoked, unjustifiable and infamous rebellion that the world has ever known, with many open-mouthed apologists and sympathizers in our own midst;

And Whereas, Governor Blair's administration has been marked by eminent ability, rare integrity and unsurpassed success, as shown by the enlistments and organization into companies, regiments and batteries, in the most perfect military order, of over eighty thousand men, as brave, true, and patriotic as ever bared their breasts to any foe; therefore,

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the thanks of the

people of Michigan, through this Legislature, are hereby cordially tendered to ex-Governor Blair, for the able and satisfactory manner in which he has, during his administration of the last four years, been able to conduct the affairs of the government of the State;

Laid on the table for one day, under the rules.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 1, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the city and township of Flint, in the county of Genesee, for the year 1864,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Green asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by adding the following section thereto:

"SECTION 4. A transcript of all unpaid taxes returned to the county treasurer in pursuance of the foregoing provisions, shall be returned to the Auditor General as soon as practicable, and such unpaid taxes shall be collected in the same manner, and with interest computed for the same time, as other taxes for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four, duly returned to the Auditor General for non-payment."

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,

Mr. Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,

Chipman,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,

W. T. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. Stewart,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Aitken,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House joint resolution No. 1, entitled

A joint resolution asking the government of the United States for a grant of land in aid of the construction of a ship canal from Portage Lake to Lake Superior,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,

Mr. O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,

Mr. Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,

Carleton,
Chipman,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,

Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,

Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Uiley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Mr. Hawley,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Stewart moved that Mr. Hawley be excused from voting,
Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Hawley then voted as recorded above.

The question being upon agreeing to the title and preamble;

Mr. Stewart moved to amend by striking out the first two
lines of the preamble;

Which was withdrawn.

The title and preamble were then agreed to.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring.) That a committee of three be appointed on the part of this House, to act with a committee of two which shall be appointed by the Senate, whose duty it shall be to consider in joint committee, and report to the several Houses what amendments, if any, are

required to the present Constitution of this State, and to present the same in form for adoption by this Legislature;

Which was adopted.

Also, the following resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That it shall be and hereby is made the duty of the committees on supplies of the Senate and House, to procure one portfolio, of suitable size and quality, for the use of each of the standing committees of the Senate and House of Representatives, plainly stamped or marked with the name of the committee for whose use it shall be intended, which shall be deposited in the State library, to be obtained at the commencement of each session by the chairman of such committee, under the same restrictions, and to be returned to such library at the end of the session, under the same penalties, as books are obtained and returned to said library, according to law;

Which was adopted.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House went into committee of the whole on the special order,

Mr. Morton in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be and are hereby instructed to report to this House, without unnecessary delay, a bill to provide for a uniform State bounty to volunteers, of one hundred dollars; also a bill to authorize the military sub-districts of this State to raise by tax or loan, an amount sufficient to pay each recruit credited upon the quota of such sub-district a bounty of two hundred dollars.

Also the following substitute offered therefor by Mr. Williams:

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be instructed

to inquire and report to this House, as soon as practicable, a bill allowing a uniform State bounty of two hundred dollars to each volunteer credited to their respective towns, on the draft now pending:

Also the following amendment to the substitute, offered by Mr. Monroe,

Amend the substitute by adding to the end thereof the following: "and a uniform county or township bounty of one hundred dollars to each volunteer so credited on the draft now pending, or upon any draft or call hereafter to be made."

Also the following resolution, offered by Mr. L. Smith:

Whereas, The President of the United States, having issued his proclamation calling for three hundred thousand men, to fill up the depleted ranks of our army;

And whereas, The State of Michigan, having a pride to respond to all requisitions from the general government in the future, as has been nobly responded to in the past, in supplying soldiers to maintain and defend the government and support the laws;

And whereas, It being necessary for the provision of certain laws relative to the payment of a uniform bounty to those enlisting, and also to protect the younger and more feeble portions of the State from the older and more wealthy localities which are able to excel in raising local bounties, and thereby secure those who might be induced to enlist and be credited to their respective places of enrollment; therefore

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be and is hereby requested to report to this House, at as early a day as practicable, a bill authorizing the payment of a uniform State bounty of one hundred dollars; and also authorizing townships to pay a local bounty not exceeding two hundred dollars, to be paid to all those who hereafter enlist and are credited to their respective places of enrollment.

And also the following amendment thereto, offered by Mr.

Dort:

Amend by striking out "\$100," and inserting "\$200," where

it refers to a State bounty, and by striking out "\$200," and inserting "\$100," where it refers to town bounties;

Have made some progress therein, but not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

E. G. MORTON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted, and leave granted the committee to sit again.

On motion of Mr. Hazen,

The several resolutions were made the special order for this afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hazen,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the special order,

Mr. Morton in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be and are hereby instructed to report to this House, without unnecessary delay, a bill to provide for a uniform State bounty to volunteers, of one hundred dollars; also, a bill to authorize the military sub-districts of this State to raise, by tax or loan, an amount sufficient to pay each recruit credited upon the quota of such sub-district a bounty of two hundred dollars.

Also, the following substitute offered therefor, by Mr. Williams:

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be instructed to inquire and report to this House, as soon as practicable, a bill allowing a uniform State bounty of two hundred dollars to each volunteer credited to their respective towns, on the draft now pending.

Also the following amendment to the substitute, offered by Mr. Monroe:

Amend the substitute by adding at the end thereof the following: "and a uniform county or township bounty of one hundred dollars to each volunteer so credited on the draft now pending, or upon any draft or call hereafter to be made."

Also the following resolution, offered by Mr. L. Smith.
Whereas, The President of the United States, having issued his proclamation calling for 300,000 men, to fill up the depleted ranks of our army;

And whereas, The State of Michigan, having a pride to respond to all requisitions from the general government, in the future, as has been nobly responded to in the past, in supplying soldiers to maintain and defend the government and support the laws;

And whereas, It being necessary for the provision of certain laws relative to the payment of a uniform bounty to those enlisting, and also to protect the younger and more feeble portions of the State from the older and more wealthy localities which are able to excel in raising local bounties, and thereby secure those who might be induced to enlist, and be credited to their respective places of enrollment; therefore

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be and is hereby requested to report to this House, at as early a day as practicable, a bill authorizing the payment of a uniform State bounty of one hundred dollars; and also authorizing townships to raise a local bounty, not exceeding two hundred dollars, to be paid to all those who hereafter enlist and are credited to their respective places of enrollment.

And also the following amendment thereto, offered by Mr. Dort:

Amend by striking out "\$100," and inserting "\$200," where it refers to a State bounty, and by striking out "\$200" and inserting "\$100," where it refers to town bounties;

Have made some progress therein, but not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

E. G. MORTON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted, and leave granted the committee to sit again.

Mr. Osborn asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Thursday morning next.

On motion of Mr. Pitts,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Saturday, January 14, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Meyer.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. G. W. Allen, Bartow, Chipman, Dusseau, Gies and Miles.

Mr. Griswold asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. G. W. Allen for two days.

Mr. Morton asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bartow until Tuesday next, on account of sickness.

Mr. O'Grady asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Chipman, on account of sickness.

Mr. Pitts asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Dusseau for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Bond asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Gies, on account of sickness.

Mr. Horton asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Miles for an indefinite time.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Look: petition of Thomas E. Phillips, James P. Wheeler, and others, with accompanying proofs, asking for the passage of a joint resolution to release to James P. Wheeler the interest which the State of Michigan has in certain real estate;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Mickley: petition of Rufus Baker and 40 others, of the township of Fairfield, Leuawee county, asking the Legislature to pass an act to legalize certain bonds issued by the township board of said township;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Kenny: petition signed by Benjamin Harris and 22 others, tax-payers of the township of Marathon, county of Lapeer, asking a law legalizing certain war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Packard: memorial of the board of supervisors of Allegan county, asking the Legislature to amend act 210, of the session laws of 1863, relative to the taxation of dogs;

Referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures.

By Mr. Sanderson: petition of Harvey Randall and 93 others, legal voters of the county of Calhoun, asking that a law be passed providing for a uniform State bounty of two hundred dollars, and against authorizing the payment of local or township bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Jenness: petition signed by 271 citizens of Lapeer county, asking for an appropriation of State swamp land to aid in removing obstructions in Bell river, in the township of Imlay, in said county;

Referred to the committee on harbors.

By Mr. Hazen: petition of J. W. Beach and 42 others, tax-payers of the township of Riley, St. Clair county, praying for the passage of an act legalizing the evidences of debt issued by the township board of said township, to pay war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Green: petition of G. T. Rand and 85 others, citizens

of the township of Carmel, Eaton county, asking for the passage of a law enabling towns to raise by tax and refund bounty subscriptions, and that the law be so amended that towns may raise by tax whatever they may desire;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Nixor: petition of E. T. Church, E. Hayden, and 55 others, citizens of the township of Eaton, Eaton county, asking for the passage of a law enabling towns to raise by tax, and refund bounty subscriptions, and that the law be so amended that towns may raise by tax whatever bounties they may desire;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means herewith report the following bill, entitled,

A bill to provide for the payment of the officers and members of the Legislature, for the year 1865,

And recommend its passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

A joint resolution asking the general government for a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Mineral Range Railroad,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROCKWAY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on military affairs:

The committee on military affairs, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No 2, entitled

A joint resolution instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress to urge upon the general government the necessity of establishing a general naval recruiting and muster-in office for the State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. J. WOODMAN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section five hundred and seventy-nine of the compiled laws, being section eighty-seven, of chapter twelve, requiring overseers of highways to give bonds in double the amount of money that may come into their hands,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred a resolution relative to the compensation of the officers of this

House, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have prepared a bill to provide for the payment of the officers and members of the Legislature for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-five, which embodies the recommendation of the committee on the subject referred them by the resolution.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 13, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following entitled bill:

Senate bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend section 21, of chapter 63, being section 1819 of the compiled laws,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Seymour gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize certain abstracts of title in Kent county, and to make the same prima facie evidence of the matters therein stated.

Mr. Morton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 250, of the session laws of 1861, in relation to the Reform School.

Mr. Swift gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill asking an appropriation for the purpose of purchasing one hundred acres of land for the use of the Reform School.

Mr. Pitts gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Frenchtown, Monroe county.

Mr. Graham gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the board of supervisors of Berrien county, in the issuing of certain bonds as a bounty to volunteers.

Mr. McKay gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to refund by tax on the property of the township of Marshall, Calhoun county, certain moneys raised by subscription, to pay bounties to volunteers, under the five hundred thousand (500,000) call.

Mr. M. D. Howard gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for an appropriation of swamp lands, to aid in the construction of bridges, and a road-way over the Big and Little Pigeon, in the county of Ottawa, on the line of the Allegan and Traverse Bay State road.

Mr. Maxwell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to improve the navigation of the Saginaw river, and to authorize Bay county to loan money in aid thereof.

Mr. Maxwell offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on military affairs be and they are hereby instructed to prepare and report to this House a bill providing for the payment of a uniform State bounty of three hundred dollars to each volunteer mustered into the service of

the United States for three years, to the credit of this State, and providing for the repeal of all existing laws authorizing towns or counties to raise money for bounties to such volunteers;

On motion of Mr. Landon,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Morton moved to take from the special order the resolution offered by Mr. L. Smith, on the subject of bounties;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Cobb, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the Governor of this State to convey certain lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Utley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to extend to actual settlers under the provisions of the "homestead act," certain rights and privileges as freeholders.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Van Vleet, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 17, of chapter 6, of the compiled laws, relative to holding general and special elections.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. O'Grady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A joint resolution asking the Government of the United States to establish a national foundry at Marquette, in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Landon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Pulaski, in Jackson county, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Look, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

Joint resolution to release to James P. Wheeler the interest which the State of Michigan has in certain real estate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Maxwell, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

Joint resolution in relation to the Detroit and Milwaukee Railway, so called.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. G. C. Jones, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to lay out and establish a State road in the Upper Peninsula, to be known as the further extension of the Mineral Range State road, and to provide for the construction of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. G. C. Jones, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to lay out and establish a State road in the Upper Peninsula, to be known as the Ontonagon and Pewabic State road, and to provide for the construction of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

Being the consideration of the following resolution:

Whereas, The Hon. Austin Blair, whose valedictory message was delivered in this House on the 5th instant, has retired to private life;

And whereas, The four years of his administration have been the most laborious, as well as the most perilous in the history both of the State and of the nation, with eleven of the most Southern States banded together in the most unprovoked, unjustifiable and infamous rebellion that the world has ever known, with many open-mouthed apologists and sympathizers in our own midst;

And whereas, Governor Blair's administration has been marked by eminent ability, rare integrity and unsurpassed success, as shown by the enlistments and organization into companies, regiments and batteries, in the most perfect military order, of over eighty thousand men, as brave, true, and patriotic as ever bared their breasts to any foe; therefore,

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the thanks of the people of Michigan, through this Legislature, are hereby cordially tendered to ex-Governor Blair, for the able and satisfactory manner in which he has, during his administration of the last four years, been able to conduct the affairs of the government of the State;

Mr. Maxwell moved to amend the second clause of the preamble by striking out the word "mouthed," where it occurs in connection with the word "open;"

Mr. M. D. Howard offered the following as a substitute for the resolution:

Whereas, The Hon. Austin Blair, late Governor of this State, whose valedictory message was delivered in the House on the 5th inst., has retired to private life;

And whereas, The four years of his administration have been the most laborious as well as the most perilous in the history of the State and of the nation;

And whereas, Gov. Blair's administration has been marked

by eminent ability, as shown by the enlistment and organization into companies, regiments and batteries, of over eighty thousand men, as brave, true and patriotic as ever bared their breasts to the foe; therefore,

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the thanks of the people of this State are hereby cordially tendered to ex-Governor Blair for the able manner in which he has, during his administration, conducted the affairs of the State, and in his retirement he is entitled to the well-wishes of the people of this State and nation;

Which was not adopted.

The question being upon the amendment of Mr. Maxwell to the resolution of Mr. Brockway,

Mr. Dort moved to amend the second clause of the preamble of the resolution by striking out the following words: "with many open-mouthed apologists and sympathizers in our own midst;"

Mr. O'Grady moved to amend the resolution by striking out all of the second clause of the preamble;

Pending all of which,

Mr. Griswold moved that the resolution and amendments be referred to a select committee of five.

Mr. Look demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to refer was not agreed to, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,	Mr. O. F. Howard,	Mr. Nowland,	
Ball,	Jenness,	O'Grady,	
Bond,	J. H. Jones,	Packard,	
Cady,	G. C. Jones,	Seymour,	
Clements,	Kenney,	Sher,	
Colwell,	Laing,	W. T. Smith,	
Dort,	Look,	Tupper,	
Duulap,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,	
Forbes,	Maxwell,	Wendell,	
Griswold,	May,	Williams,	
Haire,	McKernan,	Woodman,	
Horton,	Monroe,	Woodruff,	
M. D. Howard,	Newcomb,	Speaker,	89

NAYS.

Mr. Aitken,
 Bayley,
 Boies,
 Bonine,
 Brockway,
 Camburn,
 Carleton,
 Cobb,
 Copley,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Graham,
 Green,
 Haynes,
 Hazen,
 Jewell,

Mr. Keeler,
 Landon,
 Lapham,
 Lewis,
 Luther,
 McKay,
 Mickley,
 Morton,
 Munger,
 Nixon,
 Pack,
 Phillips,
 Pitts,
 Rowe,
 Runyan,

Mr. Sanderson,
 Slocum,
 L. Smith,
 Stewart,
 Swift,
 Taylor,
 Thomas,
 Utley,
 Warner,
 White,
 Wilcox,
 Willits,
 Winsor,
 Woodward,
 Yawkey,

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The question recurring upon the motion of Mr. Maxwell to strike out the word "mouthed," in the second clause of the preamble,

It was agreed to.

The question then being upon the motion of Mr. Dort,

Mr. Look demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bayley,
 Ball,
 Bond,
 Cady,
 Camburn,
 Colwell,
 Dort,

Mr. Forbes,
 Haire,
 Horton,
 M. D. Howard,
 Look,
 Mallary,
 Maxwell,

Mr. May,
 McKernan,
 O'Grady,
 Pitts,
 Utley,
 Wendell,

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NAYS.

Mr. Aitken,
 A. Allen,
 Boies,
 Bonine,
 Brockway,
 Carleton,
 Clements,
 Cobb,
 Copley,

Mr. Keeler,
 Kenney,
 Laing,
 Landon,
 Lapham,
 Lewis,
 Luther,
 McKay,
 Mickley,

Mr. Shier,
 Slocum,
 L. Smith,
 W. T. Smith,
 Stewart,
 Swift,
 Taylor,
 Thomas,
 Tupper,

Dunlap,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Graham,
 Green,
 Griswold,
 Haynes,
 Hazen,
 O. F. Howard,
 Jenness,
 Jewell,
 J. H. Jones,
 G. C. Jones,

Monroe,
 Morton,
 Munger,
 Newcomb,
 Nixon,
 Nowland,
 Pack,
 Packard,
 Phillips,
 Rowe,
 Runyan,
 Sanderson,
 Seymour,

Van Vleet,
 Warner,
 White,
 Wilcox,
 Willits,
 Williams,
 Winsor,
 Woodman,
 Woodruff,
 Woodward,
 Yawkey,
 Speaker,

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The question then being upon the motion of Mr. O'Grady, to strike out all of the second clause of the preamble,

Mr. Look demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was not seconded.

The motion of Mr. O'Grady was not agreed to.

Mr. Brockway demanded the yeas and nays on the adoption of the resolution;

The demand was seconded, and the resolution was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
 A. Allen,
 Bayley,
 Ball,
 Boies,
 Bonine,
 Brockway,
 Camburn,
 Carleton,
 Clements,
 Cobb,
 Copley,
 Dunlap,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Graham,
 Green,
 Griswold,
 Haynes,
 Hazen,

Mr. G. C. Jones,
 Keeler,
 Kenney,
 Laing,
 Landon,
 Lapham,
 Lewis,
 Luther,
 Mallery,
 McKay,
 McKernan,
 Mickley,
 Monroe,
 Munger,
 Newcomb,
 Nixon,
 Nowland,
 Pack,
 Packard,
 Phillips,

Mr. Seymour,
 Shier,
 Slocum,
 L. Smith,
 W. T. Smith,
 Stewart,
 Swift,
 Taylor,
 Thomas,
 Tupper,
 Utley,
 Van Vleet,
 Warner,
 White,
 Wilcox,
 Willits,
 Williams,
 Winsor,
 Woodman,
 Woodruff,

O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,

Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,

Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. Bond,
Cady,
Colwell,
Dort,

Mr. Haire,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
Look,

Mr. May,
Morton,
Pitts,
Wendell,

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Pending the announcement of the vote,

Mr. Mallary moved that Mr. O'Grady be excused from voting;
Which was agreed to.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 14, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following entitled bill:

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize the several townships in any of the counties on the line of the Grand Rapids and Indiana railroad to aid in the construction of said road," approved February 5th, 1864,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and, in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOMAS H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Woodman moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House joint resolution No. 2, entitled

A joint resolution asking the government of the United States for a grant of lands in aid of the construction of a harbor at

the mouth of the Ontonagon river, on the south shore of Lake Superior;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that the rules be suspended, and that the joint resolution be put upon its final passage;

Which was agreed to.

The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
Ball,
Bayley,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,

Mr. Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,

Mr. Pitts,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Wendell,
White,
Willcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title and preamble agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House adjourned until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Monday, January 16, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hickox.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll-call, without leave, Messrs. A. Allen, Clements, G. C. Jones, McKernan, Monroe, Munger, Phillips and Stewart.

Mr. Rowe asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. A. Allen for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Laing asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Clements for an indefinite time.

Mr. Swift asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. G. C. Jones for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. O'Grady asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. McKernan, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Haynes asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Monroe for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Utley asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Munger for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Laing asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Phillips for an indefinite time.

Mr. W. T. Smith asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Stewart for an indefinite time.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Woodman: memorial of the township board, and 89 voters of the township of Porter, in Van Buren county, asking for the passage of an act to legalize the action of said township in voting to refund to individuals the amount paid by them as bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Swift: petition of the Board of Trade of the city of Detroit, asking the passage of a joint resolution to secure the repeal or modification of the passport system;

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

By Mr. Cobb: petition and resolution of the board of supervisors of Kalamazoo county, asking a special act to be passed,

authorizing the county of Kalamazoo to return the money collected from tax on dogs, and that the same be refunded to the several townships of said county;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Utley: petition of Seth Beals and 59 others, praying that the townships of Pierson, Winfield and Maple Valley may be taken off from the county of Montcalm and annexed to the county of Newaygo;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Warner: petition of the township board of the township of West Bloomfield, and 21 others, citizens of the county of Oakland, asking the legalization of their action relative to war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill relative to the liability of municipal corporations for the misconduct of their contractors,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the several townships in any of the counties on the line of the Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad, to aid in the construction of said road, approved February 5th, 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 979 of the compiled laws, relative to duties upon sales at auction;

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend section 21, of chapter 63, being section 1819 of the compiled laws,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend section three thousand nine hundred of the compiled laws, the same being section 248, of chapter 117, of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled, of courts held by justices of the peace, approved March 14th, 1863,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the Governor of this State to convey certain real estate,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to extend to actual settlers, under the provisions of the "Homestead Act," certain rights and privileges as freeholders,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the

House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on harbors:

The committee on harbors, to whom was referred preamble and resolutions of the board of supervisors of Saginaw county, asking the Senate and House of Representatives to pass a law authorizing the county of Saginaw to raise money by loan on the bonds of said county, being \$100,000, to aid in the improvement of Saginaw river; and, also, Senate bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to provide for the improvement of the navigation of Saginaw river, and to authorize the county of Saginaw to loan money in aid thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

SAML. W. YAWKEY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The preamble and resolutions were laid on the table.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on harbors:

The committee on harbors, to whom was referred

A joint resolution in relation to the improvement of the mouth of Saginaw river,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

SAML. W. YAWKEY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State prison:

The committee on State prison, to whom was referred the petition of the officers and guards of the State prison, asking an increase of salaries; also,

A bill to provide temporary additional compensation to the officers of the State prison for the year commencing December 1st, 1864, and the year commencing December 1st, 1865,

Have considered the same, and respectfully report that the prayer of the petitioners is fully covered by the bill referred to your committee, which bill they herewith report back, without amendment, recommending its passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WM. S. WILCOX, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The petition was laid on the table.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Pulaski, in Jackson county, for the year 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 14, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That a committee of three be appointed on the part of this House, to act with a committee of two which shall be appointed by the Senate, whose duty it shall be to consider in joint committee, and report to the several Houses what amendments, if any, are required to the present constitution of this State, and to present the same in form for adoption by this Legislature;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The message was laid on the table.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the committee on the part of the House, as follows: Messrs. Utley, Boies and Dort.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. M. D. Howard gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the township of Holland to appoint commissioners to establish a rate of tolls and charges, and to aid in the improvement of the harbor at Black Lake, in the county of Ottawa.

Mr. Newcomb offered the following:

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be tendered to Mr. Geo. W. Bungay, to deliver a lecture on the State of the Country, this evening.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved to lay the resolution on the table; Which was not agreed to.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Mallary gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend Act No. 32, of the Session Laws of 1858, entitled, "An Act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for assessing property at its true value, and for laying and collecting taxes thereon," approved Feb. 14, 1853, and an act amendatory thereto, approved Feb. 12th, 1855;

Also,

A bill to amend section 636, of the compiled laws, being section 8, of chapter 15, relative to the compensation of supervisors for taking the census.

Mr. L. Smith gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of certain township boards in Gratiot county, in issuing bonds or certificates of indebtedness for soldiers' bounty.

Mr. Hazen gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the village of Memphis, in the counties of St. Clair and Macomb.

Mr. Fisher gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution authorizing the Inspectors of the State Prison to allow to Charles G. Davis, and to Erastus B. Fuller, part of their actual losses upon contracts to furnish beef and flour for the use of the convicts in the Prison from Dec. 1, 1863, to Dec. 1, 1864.

Mr. Lewis gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to lay out and improve a State road to be known as the Genesee and Tuscola State Road," the same being act No. 51 of the laws of 1864.

Mr. Morton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend act No. 250, of the session laws of 1861, in relation to the Reform School.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Reform School.

Mr. Dusseau, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Erie, in the county of Monroe, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Woodward, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize the tax-roll of the township of Henrietta, Jackson county, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Swift, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of State roads, in the county of Wayne.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Swift, unanimous consent being given, introduced

Joint resolution to secure the repeal or modification of the passport system.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Lewis, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of a road, to be known as the Cass River and Wild Fowl Bay State road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Wendell, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

Joint resolution requesting our members in Congress to call the attention of the general government to the importance of

the construction of light houses and fog bells on the straits of Michilimackinac.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Pitts, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the townships of Ash, Raisinville and Frenchtown, in the county of Monroe.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. O'Grady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the Commissioner of the Land Office to issue patents for certain lands granted to the State of Michigan for railroad purposes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House went into committee of the whole on the special order,

Mr. Morton in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be and are hereby instructed to report to this House, without unnecessary delay, a bill to provide for a uniform State bounty to volunteers, of one hundred dollars; also a bill to authorize the military sub-districts of this State to raise by tax or loan, an amount sufficient to pay each recruit credited upon the quota of such sub-district a bounty of two hundred dollars.

Also the following substitute offered therefor by Mr. Williams:

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be instructed to inquire and report to this House, as soon as practicable, a bill allowing a uniform State bounty of two hundred dollars to each volunteer credited to their respective towns, on the draft now pending.

Also the following amendment to the substitute, offered by Mr. Monroe:

Amend the substitute by adding to the end thereof the following: "and a uniform county or township bounty of one hundred dollars to each volunteer so credited on the draft now pending, or upon any draft or call hereafter to be made;"

Have made some progress therein, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. G. MORTON, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The resolutions were laid on the table.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Woodman offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on supplies be and are hereby instructed to procure, without delay, a stove of suitable size, and cause the same to be put up in the basement of this building;

Which was adopted.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 16, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following entitled bill:

Senate bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to authorize Union school district number one, of the township of Caledonia, in the county of Shiawassee, to borrow money for the purposes therein mentioned.

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the

Senators elect, and by a two-thirds vote of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning, at 10 o'clock.

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The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Burns.

Roll called: quorum present.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Warner: memorial from Messrs. Robinson and Brooks, of Detroit, asking by what authority of law bounties have been paid to certain volunteers, and withheld from others, with accompanying documents;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Warner: memorial of W. M. McConnell and 25 others, electors of the Second Representative District of Oakland county, asking an investigation of the right by which Henry M. Look occupies a seat as a member of this House, with accompanying documents;

Mr. Morton moved that the memorial and accompanying papers be referred to the committee on the judiciary;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Look moved that the memorial and accompanying papers be referred to a select committee of five;

Which was not agreed to.

The memorial and accompanying papers were referred to the committee on elections.

By the Speaker: petition of T. C. Wood, C. W. Cook, and 80 others, tax-payers of the township of Ross, Kalamazoo county, praying to have the law so amended that they may refund bounty money;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. O'Grady: petition of S. W. Abbott and 43 others, citizens of Menominee, for an appropriation for bridges across Menominee river, in Menominee county;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. O'Grady: memorial of the board of supervisors of Menominee county, to the Legislature, for an act remitting claims of the State for arrearages of taxes claimed against said county, before its organization;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. O'Grady: memorial of the supervisors of Menominee county, for an amendment of the act in relation to State roads in Menominee county;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to authorize Union school district number one, of the township of Caledonia, in the county of Shiawassee, to borrow money for the purposes therein mentioned,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

Joint resolution in relation to the Detroit and Milwaukee Railway, so called,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the joint resolution, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the joint resolution by the committee.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

A joint resolution asking the Government of the United States to establish a national foundry at Marquette, in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROCKWAY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

Joint resolution requesting our members in Congress to call the attention of the general government to the importance of

the construction of light-houses and fog-bells on the Straits of Michilimackinac,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROCKWAY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

Joint resolution to secure the repeal or modification of the passport system;

And also a petition of the Board of Trade of the city of Detroit, asking the passage of a joint resolution to secure the repeal or modification of the passport system,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the joint resolution, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROCKWAY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Cobb,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the joint resolution by the committee.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on war bounties:

The committee on war bounties, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for relief by counties of the families of volunteers,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under con-

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consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

P. DEAN WARNER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 16, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House, that Messrs. Brown and Edsell have been appointed on the part of the Senate in compliance with the terms of the following resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That a committee of three be appointed on the part of this House, to act with a committee of two which shall be appointed by the Senate, whose duty it shall be to consider in joint committee, and report to the several Houses what amendments, if any, are required to the present Constitution of this State, and to present the same in form for adoption by this Legislature.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The message was laid on the table. •

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Morton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution to authorize the Commissioner of the State Land Office to dispose of swamp and marsh lands, in the county of Monroe.

Mr. Bayley offered the following:

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be granted to the State Agricultural Society, for the purpose of lectures, on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings of this week, to be delivered by the following gentlemen: D. B. Duffield, Prof. Welch, of the Normal School, and Prof. Winchell, former Geologist of this State;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Dort gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1468 of the compiled laws, relative to the appointment of Superintendents of the Poor.

Mr. Van Vleet gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 15, chapter 21, of the compiled laws, relative to the duties of overseers of highways.

Mr. Luther offered the following:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Secretary of State cause to be published with the laws of the present session all concurrent resolutions which shall be passed during the session, and that the committee on enrolled bills of the Senate and House cause all concurrent resolutions in which an appropriation of money is made to be properly enrolled and presented to the Governor for his signature.

Laid on the table for one day, under the rules.

Mr. O'Grady gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections one and four of an act entitled "an act to remit the specific tax upon mining, manufacturing, smelting and other companies of the Upper Peninsula to the counties in which they arise for a period of five years, and to provide for the application of the same;"

Also,

A bill imposing a specific tax upon corporations and chartered companies engaged in the business of mining and smelting, or refining ores in this State;

Also,

A bill to amend act No. 61, of the session laws of 1863, entitled "An act to authorize the building of a bridge across the Menominee River, and to appropriate six sections of swamp lands to the county of Menominee to aid in the building of said bridge;"

Also,

A bill to provide for the payment on State road contracts in Menominee county;

Also,

A bill for the relief of Menominee county,

Also,

A bill to legalize the acts of the board of supervisors of Menominee county, regarding soldiers' bounties;

Also,

A bill to authorize Jesse Spalding to connect his boom, on the Menominee river, with the Michigan shore, and to build, keep and maintain, a dividing boom in said river, in Menominee county, in the State of Michigan.

Mr. Camburn gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to continue in force the provisions of an act entitled an act appropriating certain taxes for the improvement of the St. Louis and geographical centre of Montcalm county State road, in the counties of Montcalm and Gratiot, approved February 15, 1859, being act No. 233, session laws 1859, and to amend section 2 of said act.

Mr. Utley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 6, of act No. 175, of the session laws of 1863, in relation to the Pentwater and Newaygo State road.

Mr. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to punish the recruiting of men for the volunteer service of other States;

Also,

A bill to prevent the swindling of persons enlisting into the

military or naval service of the United States, and to make such offenses felony, and to punish the use of certain means to procure enlistments.

Mr. Wendell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution relative to certain land grants made by Congress, in the year 1856, for the construction of railroads in the State of Michigan.

Mr. Cobb gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to extend the time for the townships of Kalamazoo and Comstock, in the county of Kalamazoo, to avail themselves of the provisions of an act entitled 'An act to legalize the action of townships, cities and counties in raising bounties for volunteers.'"

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State road from the township of Chesaning to the township of Spalding, all in Saginaw county, and to appropriate swamp lands to aid in the construction of the same.

Mr. Williams offered the following:

Resolved, That 500 copies of a list of the members of this Legislature, as prepared for the manual, embracing the residence, post-office address, boarding-place, &c., of each member, be ordered printed for the use of this House, and equally distributed among the members and officers;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Morton offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on elections be authorized to send for persons and papers in the case of Mr. Look, a member of this House;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Williams offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on State Library be instructed to inquire and report to this House, as soon as practicable,

1st. The number of volumes of compiled laws now on hand, and

2d. As to the expediency of reducing the price to fifty cents per volume;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Mallary offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on supplies be and are hereby instructed to procure, for the use of this hall, one six-burner and four four-burner chandeliers, and that this hall be lighted with kerosene oil;

Mr. Woodman moved to amend the resolution by striking out all after the word "to," and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "inquire into the expediency of lighting this hall with kerosene oil;"

Mr. Hazen moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Hazen moved to take from the table the resolution offered by Mr. Woodman, on the subject of bounties, and the substitute offered therefor by Mr. Williams, and the amendment thereto, proposed by Mr. Monroe;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Hazen then offered the following:

Resolved, That the resolutions and amendment be referred to the committee on war bounties, with instructions to report a bill to pay a uniform State bounty of one hundred dollars to each volunteer for one year's service, two hundred dollars for two years' service, three hundred dollars for three years' service: *Provided*, Said bounty shall be paid only to those volunteers who shall be credited to the district where they shall be enrolled; if not enrolled, where they shall reside, and repealing all laws now in force for the payment of local bounties;

Mr. Bond moved to amend the resolution by adding thereto the following: "and that said committee be instructed to so frame the bill as to make its provisions applicable to future calls only;"

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Morton offered the following as a substitute for the resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on war bounties be and they are hereby instructed to report a bill, at the earliest day possible, providing bounties to volunteers;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The resolution of Mr. Woodman, and the substitute offered therefor, and the amendment proposed thereto, were referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Maxwell moved to take from the table the other resolutions relating to the subject of bounties;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

They were referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Dort, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend chapter 17 of the compiled laws, relative to fees for collecting taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. M. D. Howard, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the township board of Holland, in the county of Ottawa, to appoint commissioners to establish a rate of tolls and charges, and to aid in the improvement of the harbor at Black Lake, in said county;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Camburn, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill for the construction of a State road from the western terminus of the St. Louis and geographical centre of Montcalm county State road, to the south-west corner of township No. 11 north, of range No. 10 west, on the Grand Rapids and Big Rapids State road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Seymour, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the township of Lowell, in the county of Kent, to raise money for the construction of a bridge across Flat River, in the village of Lowell.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Copley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for assessing property at its true value, and for levying and collecting taxes thereon, approved February 14, 1853, and the acts amendatory thereto, approved February 12, 1855, and February 14, 1858.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Mallary, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for assessing property at its true value, and for levying and collecting taxes thereon, approved February 14, 1853, and an act amendatory thereto, approved February 12, 1855.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Mallary, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 636 of the compiled laws, being section 8, of chapter 15, relative to the compensation of supervisors for taking the census and statistics of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Yawkey, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the city of East Saginaw.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Senate bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to authorize Union school district No. 1, in the township of Caledonia, in the county of Shiawassee, to borrow money for the purposes therein mentioned,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows :

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. O. F. Howard,	Mr. Runyan,
G. W. Allen,	Jenness,	Sanderson,
Bayley,	Jewell,	Seymour,
Ball,	J. H. Jones,	Slocum,
Boies,	Keeler,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Kenney,	W. T. Smith,
Bonine,	Laing,	Stewart,
Brockway,	Landon,	Swift,
Cady,	Lapham,	Taylor,
Camburn,	Lewis,	Thayer,
Carleton,	Look,	Thomas,
Clements,	Luther,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Mallary,	Utley,
Colwell,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	May,	Warner,
Dort,	McKay,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	White,
Dusseau,	Mickley,	Wilcox,
Fellows,	Newcomb,	Willits,
Fisher,	Nixon,	Williams,
Forbes,	Nowland,	Winsor,
Green,	O'Grady,	Woodman,
Griswold,	Pack,	Woodruff,
Haire,	Packard,	Woodward,
Hazen,	Reed,	Yawkey,
Horton,	Rowe,	Speaker,
M. D. Howard,		

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House went into committee of the whole on the general order,

Mr. Brockway in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bills:

1. House bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to lay out and establish a State road in the counties of Mecosta, Osceola and Missaukee, and to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes thereon;

2. House bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the city of Saginaw, county of Saginaw, for the year A. D. 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of the taxes of said city;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled joint resolution:

3. House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of William Dingman;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bills:

4. House bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Ontonagon to raise money by tax, or otherwise, for the protection and improvement of the harbor at the mouth of the Ontonagon river;

5. House bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to amend section seven, of chapter one hundred and sixty-six, of the compiled laws, relative to the punishment of fraudulent debtors;

6. House bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sandstone, Jackson county, for the year 1864;

7. House bill No. 5, entitled,

A bill to legalize the assessment roll of the township of Richland, in the county of Saginaw, for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four;

8. House bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to amend sections thirty-four and thirty-five, of chapter seventeen, of the compiled laws, relating to the assessing and collecting of taxes;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

WM. H. BROCKWAY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The amendments to the first and second named bills were concurred in, *in gross*, and the bills were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The amendments to the joint resolution were concurred in, *in gross*, and the joint resolution was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. O'Grady, unanimous consent being given, offered the following:

Whereas, It hath pleased Almighty God to remove by death from our midst, on the 15th inst., the Hon. Edward Everett, the scholar, the statesman and the patriot;

And whereas, The nation mourns this dispensation of Providence, while recognizing its infliction; therefore be it

Resolved, That as a tribute of respect and sorrow upon this occasion, this House do now adjourn;

Which was unanimously adopted.

The Speaker declared the House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 18, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hickox.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Mr. Seymour.

Mr. Luther asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Seymour for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Ball asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Monday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Hays: petition of Loren R. Austin and 25 others, tax-payers of the town of Batavia, Branch county, asking that the action of the people of said township in paying bounties to volunteers, may be legalized;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Woodman: petition of John R. Baker, George Vanness, and 100 others, citizens of the township of Lafayette, in Van Buren county, asking for the passage of an act to allow said township to raise, by tax or loan, a sufficient sum of money to pay to each volunteer who may enlist and be credited upon the quota of said township, under the present call, or any future call of the President, a bounty not exceeding six hundred dollars;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Taylor: petition of W. H. Southwick and 201 others,

of Saginaw county, for a modification of the game law, relative to ducks;

Referred to the special committee on game law.

By Mr. McKay: petition of John C. Fitzgerald, E. D. Hughes and 11 others, citizens of Marshall, praying that the salaries of Circuit Judges be paid in coin or its equivalent;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Pack: petition of Uri Raymond and 18 others, for the legalization of the tax roll of the township of Sanilac, county of Sanilac, and that the time for the collection of taxes be extended thirty days;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

By Mr. Swift: memorial of a committee in behalf of the colored citizens of Detroit, asking that the constitution be so amended as to extend to them the right of suffrage;

Mr. Maxwell moved that inasmuch as the committee of colored men were present, but without the bar of the House, that they be invited to seats within the bar;

Mr. Look demanded the yeas and nays.

The demanded was seconded, and the motion was agreed to, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. M. D. Howard,	Mr. Reed,
G. W. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Rowe,
Bayley,	Jenness,	Runyan,
Ball,	Jewell,	Sanderson,
Beach,	G. C. Jones,	Shier,
Boies,	Keeler,	Slocum,
Bond,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Brockway,	Laing,	W. T. Smith,
Cady,	Landon,	Swift,
Camburn,	Lapham,	Thayer,
Carleton,	Lewis,	Thomas,
Clements,	Luther,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Mallary,	Utle,
Colwell,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	McKay,	Warner,
Dort,	McKernan,	Welch,
Dunlap,	Mickley,	White,
Fellows,	Morton,	Wilcox,

Fisher,
Forbes,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Hazen,

Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,

Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Speaker, 75

NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,
Bonine,
Dussean,
Graham,
Haynes,

Mr. Horton,
J. H. Jones,
Look,
May,
Nowland,

Mr O'Grady,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Wendell,
Yawkey, 15

Mr. Griswold moved that Mr. Maxwell be appointed a committee to invite the gentlemen to seats within the bar of the House;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The memorial was referred to the select joint committee on amendments to the constitution.

Mr. Green moved that the memorial be ordered printed in the journal;

Which was agreed to.

The following is the memorial:

To the Hon. Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

We, "the colored citizens of the city of Detroit," respectfully pray, that your honorable body will so amend the constitution of this State, as to permit the colored men within its borders to exercise the elective franchise. We ask that the word "white" be stricken from the constitution, that it may not stand as a bar to the exercise by us of the privileges of freemen. We ask this as our right, and desire to show briefly the reasons upon which the claim is based.

We believe that the highest welfare of this great State will be found in erasing from its statute books all enactments discriminating in favor or against any class of its people, and by establishing one law for the white and colored people alike. Whatever prejudice and taste may be innocently allowed to do

or to dictate, in social or domestic relations, it is plain that in the matter of government, the object of which is the protection and security of human rights, prejudice should be allowed no voice whatever. In this department of human relations no notice should be taken of the color of men; but justice, wisdom and humanity should weigh alone, and be all controlling.

Formerly our petitions for the elective franchise were met and denied upon the ground that while colored men were protected in person and property, they were not required to perform military duty. Of course this was only a plausible excuse; for we were subject to any call the government was pleased to make upon us, and we could not properly be made to suffer because the government did not see fit to impose military duty upon us. The fault was with the government, not with us.

But now even this frivolous, though somewhat decent apology, for excluding us from the ballot-box, is entirely swept away. Two hundred thousand colored men, according to a recent statement of President Lincoln, are now in the service, upon field and flood, in the army and navy of the United States. Many of them are from Michigan, and every day adds to their number. They are there as volunteers, coming forward with other patriotic men at the call of their imperiled country; they are there, also, as substitutes, filling up the quotas which otherwise would have to be filled by white men, who now remain at home; they are there, also, as drafted men, by a certain law of Congress, which, for once, makes no difference on account of color; and whether they are there as volunteers, as substitutes, or as drafted men, neither ourselves, or our cause, nor our country, need be ashamed of their appearance or their action upon the battle field. Friends and enemies, rebels and loyal men, each after their kind, have borne conscious and unconscious testimony to the gallantry and other noble qualities of the colored troops.

Your fathers laid down the principle, long ago, that universal suffrage is the best foundation of government. We believe as your fathers believed, and as they practiced, for, in eleven

of the original thirteen States, colored men exercised the right to vote at the time of the adoption of the federal constitution.

Whether the right to vote is a natural right or not, we are not now to determine. Natural or conventional, in either case, we are amply supported in our appeal for its extension to us. If it is as all the teachings of your Declaration of Independence imply, a natural right, to deny it to us is a wrong done our human nature. If, on the other hand, the right to vote is simply a conventional right, having no other foundation or significance than a mere conventional arrangement, which may be extended or contracted, given or taken away, upon reasonable grounds, we insist that, even basing the right upon this uncertain foundation, we may reasonably claim a voice in the election of the men who are to have at their command our time, our services, our property, our persons, and our lives. This command of our persons and our lives is no longer a theory, but the positive practice of our government. We say, therefore, that having required, demanded, and in some instances compelled, us to serve with our time, our property and our lives, coupling us in all the obligations and duties imposed upon the more highly-favored of our fellow citizens in this war, to protect and defend your country from threatened destruction, and having fully established the precedent by which in all similar or dissimilar cases of need, we may be compelled to respond to a like requisition, we claim to have fully earned the elective franchise, and that you have virtually contracted an obligation to grant it, which has all the sanctions of justice, honor and magnanimity in favor of its prompt fulfillment.

Are we good enough to use bullets, and not good enough to use ballots? May we defend rights in time of war, and yet be denied the exercise of those rights in time of peace? Are we citizens when the nation is in peril, and aliens when the nation is in safety? May we shed our blood, under the star-spangled banner, on the battle field, and yet be debarred from marching,

under it to the ballot box? Will the brave white soldiers, bronzed by the hardships and exposures of repeated campaigns—men who have fought by the side of black men—be ashamed to cast their ballots by the side of their companions in arms? May we give our lives, but not our vote, for the good of the republic? Shall we toil with you to win the prize of free government, while you alone shall monopolize all its valued privileges? Against such a conclusion, every sentiment of honor and magnanimity and manly fraternity utters an indignant protest.

It is quite true that some part of the people may, with a show of plausibility, evade the force of this appeal, and deny this claim. There are men in all States who can evade any duty or obligation which is not enforced by the strong arm of the law. Our State is no exception to the rule. They can say in this case, "Colored men, we have done you no wrong. We have purchased nothing at your hands, and owe you nothing. From first to last we have objected to employing you as soldiers to help put down this rebellion, foreseeing the very claim you now set up. Were we to-day invested with the power and authority of this government, we would instantly disband every colored regiment now in front of Richmond, and everywhere else in the Southern States. We do not believe in making soldiers of colored men." To all that, we reply, there need be no doubt whatever. No doubt they would disband the black troops if they had the power; and equally plain is it that they would disband the white troops, also, if they had the power. They do not believe in making black men soldiers: but they equally do not believe in making white men soldiers to fight slaveholding rebels.

But we do not address ourselves to particular parties or classes of people; we would appeal directly to the moral sense, honor and magnanimity of the whole State; and with a cause so good, we cannot believe we shall appeal in vain. Parties and classes rise and fall, combine and dissolve, but the con-

science of the people remains forever, and it is that to which our cause is addressed.

It may, however, be said that the colored people enlisted in the service of the country without any promise or stipulation that they would be rewarded with political equality at the end of the war; but all the more on this very account, do we hold you bound in honor thus to reward them. By the measure of confidence reposed in the generosity of the people, we have the right to measure the obligation of fulfillment. The fact that when called into the service of the country, we went forward without exacting terms or conditions, to the mind of the generous man, enhances our claim.

But, again, why are we so urgent for the possession of this particular right? We are asked, even by some Abolitionist, why we cannot be satisfied, for the present at least, with personal freedom; the right to testify in courts of law; the right to own, buy, and sell real estate; the right to sue and be sued? We answer: because in a republican country, where general suffrage is the rule, personal liberty, the right to testify in courts of law, the right to hold, buy and sell property, and all other rights, become mere privileges held at the option of others, where we are excepted from the general political liberty.

What gives to the newly arrived emigrants, fresh from lands beyond the sea, special consequence in the eyes of the American people? It is not their virtue, for they are often depraved. It is not their knowledge, for they are often ignorant. It is not their wealth, for they are often very poor. Why, then, are they courted by the leaders of all parties? The answer is plain: that our institutions clothe them with the elective franchise, and they have a voice in making the laws of the country. Give the colored men of this State the elective franchise, and you will see no mobs driving them from places where they obtain honest livings, but you will go far towards making them respectable and respected citizens. The possession of that right is the keystone to the arch of human liberty, and, without that, the whole may at any moment fall to the ground, while with it, that

liberty may stand forever—a blessing to us and no possible injury to you. If you still ask us why we want to vote, we answer: because we are men, and want to be as free in our native land as any other men.

Gentlemen, let us entreat you, have faith in your own principles. If Freedom is good for any, it is good for all. If you need the elective franchise, we need it even more. You are strong, we are weak—you are many, we are few—you are protected, we are exposed. Clothe us with this safeguard of our liberty, and give us an interest in the country to which, in common with you, we have given our lives and poured out our best blood. You cannot need special protection. Our degradation is not essential to your elevation, nor our peril to your safety. You are not likely to be outstripped in the race of improvement by persons of African descent, and hence you have no need of superior advantages, nor to burden them with disabilities of any kind. Let the government of your State be what all governments should be—a copy of the eternal laws of the Universe, before which all men stand equal as to rewards and punishments, life and death, without regard to country, kindred, tongue or people.

Our cause is in a measure before you—the power to redress our wrongs, and to grant us our rights is partly in your hands. You can determine our destiny: blast us by continued degradation, or bless us with the means of gradual elevation.

We are among you, and must remain among you, and it is for you to say whether our presence shall conduce to the general peace and welfare of the State, or be a constant cause of discussion and of irritation, in the State, in the church, and in the nation.

To avert all these, and place your great State in safety from them, only one word is needed, and that is *Justice*. Let that magic word once be sounded, and become all-controlling in all your courts of law—subordinate and supreme: Let the halls of legislation spurn all effort as mischievous and ruinous that has not justice for its foundation: Let justice, without com-

promise, without curtailment, and without partiality, be observed with respect to all men—no class of men claiming for themselves any right which they will not grant to another—then strife and discord will cease, peace will be placed upon enduring foundations, and the people, now unhappily divided, will dwell together in unity and power.

JOHN D. RICHARDS,
ROBERT L. CULLEN,
JAMES D. CARTER.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 636 of the compiled laws, being section 8, of chapter 15, relative to the compensation of supervisors for taking the census and statistics of this State,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the townships of Ash, Raisinville and Frenchtown, in the county of Monroe;

And, also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Eric, county of Monroe;

And also a petition of citizens of said townships, asking for said extension, respectfully report, that although unwilling as a general rule to grant the prayer for an extension of time for the payment of taxes, for the reason that such requests should

be made to the boards of supervisors who have full power to grant such extension, yet the reasons set forth by the petitioners, viz: that they are now filling their quotas under the last call by subscription bounties, is so patriotic and praiseworthy; that your committee have it not in their hearts to deny their request. Your committee have, therefore, incorporated the two bills into one, and added a new section thereto, and recommend that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Fellows,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend sections 2, 8, 9, 10 and 13, of chapter 153, of the compiled laws, relative to the distraining of beasts,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

Joint resolution for the relief of David W. Noyes, Loren Andrews, Unn Miller and Hiram W. Miller,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the joint resolution, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the joint resolution by the committee.

The joint resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to authorize proceedings against garnishees, and for other purposes, approved March 28th, 1849, being chapter 141 of the compiled laws,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with a substitute therefor, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 1, entitled

A bill to amend section four, of chapter eighty-six, of the revised statutes, being section three thousand three hundred and two of the compiled laws, relative to the appointment of guardians for minor children,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

Joint resolution to release to James B. Wheeler the interest which the State of Michigan has in certain real estate,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with a substitute therefor, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Luther,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The joint resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No. 1, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for submitting the question of a general revision of the Constitution of the State of Michigan to the electors thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the joint resolution, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the joint resolution by the committee.

The joint resolution was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the township of Lowell, in the county of Kent, to raise money for the construction of a bridge across Flat river, in the village of Lowell,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Luther,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on war bounties:

The committee on war bounties, to whom was referred sundry memorials and petitions, relating to the subject of bounties, have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report

A bill to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers,

For the consideration and action of the House, recommending that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

P. DEAN WARNER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title;

Mr. Woodman moved that the bill be ordered printed, and made the special order for to-morrow afternoon, at 2 o'clock; Which motion prevailed.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 17, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, The Hon. Austin Blair, whose valedictory message was delivered in this House on the 5th instant, has retired to private life;

And whereas, The four years of his administration have been the most laborious, as well as the most perilous in the history both of the State and of the nation, with eleven of the most Southern States banded together in the most unprovoked, unjustifiable and infamous rebellion that the world has ever known, with many open apologists and sympathizers in our own midst;

And whereas, Governor Blair's administration has been marked by eminent ability, rare integrity and unsurpassed success, as shown by the enlistments and organization into companies, regiments and batteries, in the most perfect military order, of over eighty thousand men, as brave, true, and patriotic as ever bared their breasts to any foe; therefore

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the thanks of the people of Michigan, through this Legislature, are hereby cordially tendered to ex-Governor Blair, for the able and satisfactory manner in which he has, during his administration of the

last four years, been able to conduct the affairs of the government of the State;

And to inform the House that the Senate has unanimously adopted the following substitute therefor:

Whereas, The Hon. Austin Blair, whose valedictory message was delivered to this Legislature on the 5th instant, has retired to private life;

And whereas, The four years of his administration have been the most laborious, as well as the most perilous in the history both of the State and of the nation, with eleven of the most Southern States banded together in the most unjustifiable rebellion that the world has ever known;

And whereas, Governor Blair's administration has been marked by eminent ability, rare integrity, and unsurpassed success, as shown by the enlistments and organization into companies, regiments and batteries, in the most perfect military order, of over eighty thousand men, as brave, true, and patriotic as ever bared their breasts to any foe; therefore,

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That the thanks of the people of Michigan, through this Legislature, are hereby cordially tendered to ex-Governor Blair, for the able and satisfactory manner, in which he has, during his administration of the last four years, been able to conduct the affairs of the government of the State;

In which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Woodman moved that the House concur in the adoption of the substitute of the Senate for the resolution;

Mr. Graham demanded the yeas and nays.

The demanded was seconded, and the House concurred in the adoption of the substitute, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,

Mr. O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,

Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Cements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,

J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,

Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
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Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Mr. Carleton,
Dusseau,

Mr. Hawley,

Mr. Pitts,

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The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 17, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Secretary of the Senate and the Clerk of the House be requested to procure a sufficient number of copies of "A Key to the Compiled Laws," by William T. Young, of Detroit, to furnish each member of the Senate and House one copy during the session, at a cost not exceeding 25 cents per copy;

And to inform the House that the Senate has not concurred therein.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The resolution was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 17, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 1, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the city and township of Flint, in the county of Genesee, for the year 1864;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 17, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of Stage Companies;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators

elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 17, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bills :

1. Senate bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to prohibit practicing attorneys and counselors at law from becoming bail or security in certain cases;

2. Senate bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend sections four and five of an act entitled "An act for the appropriation of swamp lands to the counties of Houghton and Keweenaw, for the construction of the mineral range State road," approved March 20, 1863;

3. Senate bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to authorize the townships of Muskegon and Norton, in the county of Muskegon, and the township of Spring Lake, in the county of Ottawa, to aid in the construction of a wagon road from the village of Muskegon to the village of Ferrysburg;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

The third named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges!

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Wendell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill creating the office of County Salt Inspector.

Mr. Wendell offered the following:

Resolved, That in the opinion of the House, the address of D. Bethune Duffield, Esq., in this Hall; last evening, embraces facts and suggestions of vast importance to the interests of Michigan, and that a copy thereof be solicited for publication, and 3,000 be printed for the use of the members of the two Houses, for distribution.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Utley offered the following:

Resolved, That the President of the State Agricultural Society, the several members of the Executive Board, and the several gentlemen announced to lecture before the Society at its winter session, be and they are hereby invited to visit this body at their convenience, and to a seat within the bar;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Thayer gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the draining of a certain swamp in the townships of Mount Morris and Flushing, in the county of Genesee, and asking an appropriation of swamp lands for the same.

Mr. Luther offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on ways and means be instructed to prepare and present to the Clerk of this House, a schedule of the mileage to which each member of the house is entitled;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Bond gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize certain bonds issued by the city of Detroit, for the payment of bounties to volunteers;

Also,

A bill to amend section three of "an act to provide for the collection of State and county taxes, in the city of Detroit, approved March 20, 1863;

Also,

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved February 5th, 1857, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof;

Also,

A bill to amend sections one and two, of chapter 42, of the compiled laws, as to disorderly persons.

Mr. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill authorizing boards of supervisors to levy a tax on dogs, for the protection of sheep;

Mr. Mallary moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution in relation to the Detroit and Milwaukee Railway, so called.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Mallary then moved that the joint resolution be committed to the committee on banks and incorporations, with instructions to inquire into and report to the House any evidence of a violation by them of their charter;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Brockway offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House be and he hereby is instructed to furnish ex-Governor Blair with a certified copy of the preamble and resolution just passed by this Legislature;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Hazen gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 54, of the compiled laws.

Mr. Hazen gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act to provide for the settlement and drainage of swamp lands by actual settlers, approved Feb. 15th, 1859.

Mr. McKernan gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the township of Eagle Harbor, in Keweenaw county, to issue bonds and raise money to improve the entrance of Eagle Harbor.

Mr. Dunlap offered the following:

Whereas, This House has listened with deep interest to the very able and instructive address of D. Bethune Duffield, Esq., upon "The undeveloped regions and resources of the State of Michigan," in which ways and means are suggested worthy the attention of statesmen;

And whereas, The legislation of this State should be immediately directed to the encouragement of immigration and the development of the vast resources of the State—agricultural, manufacturing and mineral—therefore,

Resolved, That the committee on agriculture be requested to inquire into the expediency of establishing a bureau of agriculture and manufactures, and to report forthwith by bill or otherwise;

Mr. Williams moved to amend the resolution by striking out the word "forthwith;"

Which was accepted.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Brockway offered the following:

Resolved, That hereafter, until otherwise ordered, there shall be one session each day, commencing at half past nine o'clock A. M., with a recess each day from 12 o'clock M. to two o'clock P. M.;

Mr. Utley moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "half past nine," and inserting "ten" in lieu thereof;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Keeler gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section No. 587 of the compiled laws, relative to the compensation per diem of certain township officers.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise and amend the charter of the city of Saginaw.

Mr. O'Grady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the payment on State road contracts in Menominee county;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. O'Grady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend act No. 61, of the session laws of 1863, entitled "An act to authorize the building of a bridge across the Menominee river, and to appropriate six sections of swamp lands to the county of Menominee to aid in the building of said bridge;"

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. O'Grady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize the acts of the board of supervisors of Menominee county, regarding soldiers' bounties;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. O'Grady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize Jesse Spalding to connect his boom, on the Menominee river, with the Michigan shore, and to build,

keep and maintain, a dividing boom in said river, in Menominee county, in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. O'Grady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill for the relief of Menominee county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. O'Grady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend sections one and four of an act entitled "an act to remit the specific tax upon mining, manufacturing, smelting and other companies of the Upper Peninsula, to the counties in which they arise, for a period of five years, and to provide for the application of the same;"

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on mines and minerals.

Mr. Hawley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill making it obligatory upon incorporated banks and private banks to stamp counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Pitts, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 8, of act No. 157, of the session laws of 1859.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Van Vleet, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 15, of chapter 21, of the compiled laws, relative to the duties of the overseers of highways.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Fisher, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A joint resolution authorizing the Inspectors of the State Prison to allow to Charles G. Davis, and to Erastus B. Fuller, part of their actual losses upon contracts to furnish beef and flour for the use of the convicts in the Prison from Dec. 1, 1863, to Dec. 1, 1864.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State prison.

Mr. O'Grady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill imposing a specific tax upon corporations and chartered companies engaged in the business of mining and smelting, or refining ores in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on mines and minerals.

Mr. Cobb, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to extend the time for townships of Kalamazoo and Comstock, in the county of Kalamazoo, to avail themselves of the provisions of an act entitled "An act to legalize the actions of townships, cities and counties, in raising bounties for volunteers," approved March 7th, 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Morton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

Joint resolution to authorize the Commissioner of the State Land Office to dispose of swamp and marsh lands in the county of Monroe.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State road from the township of Chesaning to the township of Spalding, all in Saginaw county, and to appropriate swamp lands to aid in the construction of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to prevent the swindling of persons enlisting into the military or naval service of the United States, and to make such offenses felony, and to punish the use of certain means to procure enlistments.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the city of Saginaw, county of Saginaw, for the year A. D. 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes of said city,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,

Mr. M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallory,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Uley,

Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Hairo,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,

Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Morton,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,

NAYS.

Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to lay out and establish a State road in the counties of Mecosta, Osceola and Missaukee, and to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes thereon,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bailey,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonino,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carlton,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,

Mr. Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,

Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Morton,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Packard,

NAYS.

Warner,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Ontonagon to raise money, by tax or otherwise, for the protection and improvement of the harbor at the mouth of the Ontonagon river ;

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Morton,

Mr. Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Shier,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Utiley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,

Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,

NAYS.

Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker;

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Horton moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon;

Mr. Copley moved that the House adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

The motion of Mr. Horton to take a recess, prevailed.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed business under the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to amend section seven, of chapter one hundred and sixty-six, of the compiled laws, relative to the punishment of fraudulent debtors,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,

Mr. M. D. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones.
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Sanderson,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,

Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,

Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Packard,
Philips,
Pitts,

W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Look,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House Bill No. 6, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sandstone, Jackson county, for the year 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Clements,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Look,

Mr. Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,
Sanderson,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,

Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Packard,

Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to legalize the assessment roll of the township of Richland, in the county of Saginaw, for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dunlap,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,

Mr. Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,
Sanderson,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Utlely,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Wendell,

Dussean,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Forbes,
 Graham,
 Green,
 Griswold,
 Haire,
 Hawley,
 Haynes,

McKay,
 McKernan,
 Mickley,
 Morton,
 Munger,
 Newcomb,
 Nowland,
 O'Grady,
 Pack,
 Packard,

White,
 Wilcox,
 Willits,
 Winsor,
 Woodman,
 Woodruff,
 Woodward,
 Yawkey,
 Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to amend sections 34 and 35, of chapter 17, of the compiled laws, relative to the assessing and collection of taxes,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
 G. W. Allen,
 Bayley,
 Ball,
 Bartow,
 Beach,
 Boies,
 Bond,
 Brockway,
 Cady,
 Camburn,
 Carleton,
 Clements,
 Cobb,
 Colwell,
 Copley,
 Dunlap,
 Dussean,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Forbes,

Mr. Hazen,
 Horton,
 M. D. Howard,
 Jenness,
 Jewell,
 J. H. Jones,
 G. C. Jones,
 Keeler,
 Laing,
 Landon,
 Lapham,
 Lewis,
 Look,
 Luther,
 Mallary,
 Maxwell,
 May,
 McKay,
 McKernan,
 Mickley,
 Munger,

Mr. Phillips,
 Reed,
 Rowe,
 Sanderson,
 Shier,
 Slocum,
 L. Smith,
 Stewart
 Swift,
 Taylor
 Thayer,
 Thomas,
 Tupper,
 Utley,
 Van Vleet,
 Warner,
 Welch,
 Wendell,
 White,
 Wilcox,
 Willits,

Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Packard,

Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

House joint resolution No 3, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of William Dingman,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,

Mr. M. D. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Packard,

Mr. Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,
Sanderson,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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The question being upon agreeing to the title and preamble,

Mr. Warner moved to amend line 7 of the preamble, by striking out the words "perfectly acknowledged," and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "perfect by acknowledgment;"

Which was agreed to.

The title and preamble were then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Warner,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the joint resolution was ordered to take immediate effect.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Lowell, in the county of Kent, to raise money for the construction of a bridge across Flat river, in the village of Lowell,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Hazen,	Mr. Pitts,
G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Reed,
Bayley,	O. F. Howard,	Rowe,
Ball,	Jenness,	Runyan,
Bartow,	Jewell,	Sanderson,
Beach,	J. H. Jones,	Shier,
Boies,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,
Bond,	Keeler,	L. Smith,
Bonine,	Laing,	Stewart,
Brockway,	Landon,	Swift,
Cady,	Lapham,	Taylor,
Camburn,	Lewis,	Thayer,
Carleton,	Look,	Thomas,
Clements,	Luther,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Mallary,	Utley,
Colwell,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	May,	Warner,
Dunlap,	McKay,	Wendell,
Dussean,	McKernan,	White,
Fellows,	Mickley,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Morton,	Willits,
Forbes,	Mugger,	Winsor,
Graham,	Newcomb,	Woodman,
Green,	Nowland,	Woodruff,
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Woodward,

Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,

Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. G. W. Allen,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members present, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Secretary of State cause to be published, with the laws of the present session, all concurrent resolutions which shall be passed during the session, and that the committee on enrolled bills of the Senate and House cause all concurrent resolutions in which an appropriation of money is made, to be properly enrolled, and presented to the Governor for his signature;

Which was adopted.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY,

Being the consideration of the following resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That our Senators in Congress are instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their influence in procuring the passage by Congress, of an act for the protection of the frontier in the State of Michigan, by the establishment of military posts and fortifications;

Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Fellows,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Griswold in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bills:

1. House bill No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend section 364, of the compiled laws, relative to the compensation of the members of the board of supervisors;

2. House bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to authorize the Forest Valley Salt Manufacturing company to engage in the manufacture of lumber;

3. House bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to authorize school district No. 2, of the township of Lawrence, in the county of Van Buren, to issue bonds;

4. House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to authorize the State Treasurer to burn and destroy the notes of the late Government Stock Bank, of Ann Arbor, now remaining in his office, and the notes of other banks in like condition;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled joint resolution:

5. House joint resolution No. 4, entitled

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of lands by Congress, for the construction of a wagon road from Eskanauba to Sault Ste. Marie;

6. House joint resolution No. 6, entitled

Joint resolution in relation to a certain claim in the county of Monroe;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bill:

7. House bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to authorize any of the townships in the counties of Oakland and Macomb to pledge their credit to aid in the con-

struction of a railway from Ridgeway, on the Grand Trunk Railroad, to or near the village of Holly, on the Detroit and Milwaukee Railroad;

8. House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the officers and members of the Legislature, for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-five;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The first, second, third and fourth named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The two joint resolutions were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The amendments made to the seventh named bill were concurred in, *in gross*, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Warner moved that the amendments made to the eighth named bill be concurred in;

Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 18, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following House joint resolution No. 2, entitled

Joint resolution asking the government of the United States for a grant of land, in aid of the construction of a harbor at

the mouth of the Ontonagon River, on the south shore of Lake Superior,

Which the Senate has amended by striking out the words "be instructed," in line one of the first resolve;

In the passage of which, as amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOMAS H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. G. C. Jones moved that the amendment made to the joint resolution by the Senate, be concurred in;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bcnine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,
M. D. Howard,

Mr. Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Trapper,
Uteley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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The joint resolution was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 18, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 1, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Government of the United States for a grant of land in aid of the construction of a ship canal, from Portage Lake to Lake Superior,

Which the Senate has amended 'by striking out the words "be instructed," in line one of the first resolve;

In the passage of which, as amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. McKernan moved that the amendment made to the joint resolution, by the Senate, be concurred in;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Clements,
Colwell,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,

Mr. Packard,
Pitts,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Shier,
Slocum,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Uiley,
Van Vleet,

Copley,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,

Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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The joint resolution was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Thursday, January 19, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Burns.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Mr. Maxwell.

Mr. Chipman asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Maxwell for an indefinite time, on account of pressing duties in the capacity of special committee.

Mr. Reed announced that the Hon. J. D. Woodworth, of the 2d Representative district of Ingham county, was present and desired to take his seat.

Mr. Woodworth then came forward, and after having sworn and subscribed to the constitutional oath, took his seat as a member of the Legislature of Michigan.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Haynes: petition and resolutions of the board of supervisors of Branch county, asking the Legislature to legalize the action of the people of the city of Coldwater, and the

several townships of Branch county, in paying bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Van Vleet: petition of W. W. Stickley and nine others, citizens and tax payers of the State of Michigan, asking an appropriation of money for the purchase of specimens of art;

Referred to the committee on education.

By Mr. Luther: petition of Edwin Thayer and 36 others, citizens of Spring Lake, Ottawa county, calling for the passage of an act to provide for the election of township librarians at the annual township meetings;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Luther: petition of T. B. Senell and 36 others, citizens of Spring Lake, Ottawa county, praying for a more stringent law for the suppression of drunkenness on the Sabbath;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Nixon: petition of B. T. Estler, Sidney Frary and 146 others, citizens of Eaton county, asking for the amendment of an act to authorize the counties of Jackson and Eaton, etc., to pledge their credit in aid of the construction of a railroad from Jackson to Grand Rapids, so as to place all authority in reference to said pledge, wholly in the voice of the electors of each respective township on its own behalf, and to discontinue the authority vested in the board of supervisors, so far as the same applies to Eaton county;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Nixon: memorial of the town board of the town of Eaton Rapids, relative to bounties, and asking for a law to legalize the acts of said township;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Williams: memorial of the township board of the township of Lawrence, Van Buren county, asking for an act legalizing the action of the said town in regard to town bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Chipman: petition of William Strong and others, of Monroe county, for a change in the game law;

Also: petition of O. F. Wisner and others, of Oakland county, on the same subject;

Also: petition of J. C. Parker and others, of Kent county, on the same subject;

Referred to the select committee on the game law.

By Mr. Sanderson: petition of Jehiel Wisner, Wm. H. Selk-rig and Harvey M. Graham, township board of the township of Athens, Calhoun county, asking for a law authorizing said township to refund certain moneys paid to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Taylor: petition of R. W. Andrews and 14 others, asking the passage of a bill to lay out and construct a State road from the township of Chesaning to the township of Spal-ding, in the county of Saginaw;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Camburn: petition of fractional school district No. 3, of the townships of Sidney, Evergreen, Ferris and Douglas, Montcalm county, asking the privilege of loaning money to build a school house;

Referred to the committee on education.

By Mr. Horton: remonstrance of Chester Rankin and 62 others, against the dividing of the township of China, St. Clair county, in any way whatever;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was

referred a bill making it obligatory upon incorporated banks and pri-vate bankers to stamp counterfeit, altered and worthless bank

ful ly report that they have had the same under con-sideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass,

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and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of stage companies,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to incorporate the village of Ionia,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on printing:

The committee on printing, to whom was referred the matter in relation to printing the outgoing and incoming Governors'

messages, concur with the select committee in recommending that one thousand copies of each be printed in the English language; but after making diligent investigation, are not prepared to recommend the printing of the messages in any of the foreign languages, (unless some responsible person will undertake to distribute the same,) as thousands of those documents, as ordered printed by former Legislatures, are now lying about the different offices, and have not benefitted those for whom they were intended. The committee have directed me to report the subject back to the House, and recommend the concurrence of the House in the recommendation of the select committee, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. B. SLOCUM, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Brockway moved that the House concur in the recommendations of the committee;

Mr. Gies moved to amend the recommendations of the committee by adding thereto the following: "and 500 copies in the German language;"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Luther moved to further amend by adding: "and 500 copies in the Holland language;"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Camburn moved to further amend by adding: "and 200 copies in the Danish language;"

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Dunlap moved to further amend by adding: "and 500 copies in the Bohemian language;"

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. W. T. Smith moved to reconsider the vote by which the amendment of Mr. Luther was agreed to;

Mr. Chipman demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion of Mr. W. T. Smith was agreed to, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
 Bayley,
 Bartow,
 Beach,
 Boies,
 Bond,
 Bonine,
 Camburn,
 Carleton,
 Cobb,
 Dusseau,
 Fisher,
 Graham,
 Haynes,
 Hazen,
 M. D. Howard,

Mr. O. F. Howard, Mr. Sanderson,
 J. H. Jones, Slocum,
 Keeler, W. T. Smith,
 Kenney, Stewart,
 Landon, Thayer,
 McKay, Van Vleet,
 Monroe, Warner,
 Morton, Wendell,
 Newcomb, Wilcox,
 Nixon, Willits,
 Nowland, Woodman,
 Pack, Woodruff,
 Phillips, Woodward,
 Reed, Woodworth,
 Rowe, Speaker,

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Mr. G. W. Allen,
 Brockway,
 Cady,
 Chipman,
 Clements,
 Colwell,
 Dort,
 Dunlap,
 Fellows,
 Forbes,
 Gies,
 Green,
 Griswold,
 Haire,
 Hawley,
 Horton,

Mr. Jenness,
 Jewell,
 G. C. Jones,
 Laing,
 Lapham,
 Lewis,
 Look,
 Luther,
 Mallery,
 May,
 McKernan,
 Mickley,
 Munger,
 O'Grady,
 Osborn,

Mr. Packard,
 Pitts,
 Schars,
 Shier,
 L. Smith,
 Swift,
 Taylor,
 Thomas,
 Tupper,
 Utley,
 Welch,
 White,
 Williams,
 Winsor,
 Yawkey,

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The question then recurring on agreeing to the motion of Mr. Luther,

Mr. Chipman demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was not seconded.

The motion of Mr. Luther was not agreed to.

Mr. Morton moved to recommit the whole subject to the committee on printing, with instructions to procure the messages published in the two German papers at Detroit, at an expense not exceeding \$200 each for — number of copies;

Mr. Brockway moved to amend the instructions by striking out all after the word "Detroit," and inserting in lieu thereof the words, "on the best terms they can secure;"

Which was withdrawn.

Mr. Gies moved as a substitute for the motion to recommit, that the whole subject be referred to a select committee of three;

Mr. Van Vleet moved to lay the whole subject on the table;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Monroe called for a division of the question on the matter of reference, that the question might be taken on referring the recommendation relative to printing in the English and foreign languages separately.

The question first being on referring the recommendation to print 1,000 of each of the messages in the English language,

Mr. Chipman demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was not seconded.

The motion to refer that part of the recommendations relative to printing the messages in the English language was not agreed to.

The motion to refer that part relative to printing the messages in the German language to a select committee of three, was agreed to.

Mr. Luther moved that the committee be also instructed to take into consideration the printing of the messages in the Holland language;

Which was agreed to.

The question then recurring on concurring in the recommendation of the committee to print 1,000 copies of each of the Governors' messages in the English language, it was concurred in.

The Speaker announced the select committee as follows: Messrs. Gies, G. C. Jones and Slocum.

Mr. Green moved that two more members be added to the committee;

Which was agreed to.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Green and Morton on the committee.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to authorize the townships of Muskegon and Norton, in the county of Muskegon, and the township of Spring Lake, in the county of Ottawa, to aid in the construction of a wagon road from the village of Muskegon to the village of Ferrysburg,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 15, of chapter 21, of the compiled laws, relative to the duties of overseers of highways,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on printing:

The committee on printing, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act to amend section 26, and repeal sections 27, 28 and 29, of chapter 150, title 29, of the revised statutes of 1846, approved February

16th, 1857, being section 5658, compiled laws, relative to the rates of legal advertising,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. B. SLOCUM, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the city of East Saginaw,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have made some amendments therein, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Yawkey,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State Library:

The committee on State Library, to whom was referred the following resolution, to wit:

Resolved, That the committee on State Library be instructed to inquire and report to this House as soon as practicable,

1st. The number of volumes of compiled laws now on hand;

2d. As to the expediency of reducing the price to fifty cents per volume,

Have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to make the following report:

Number of volumes in library and State building, 7,740

In the hands of the treasurers of the several counties, . . . 1,446

Total, 9,186

Your committee, believing it expedient to reduce the price, report herewith a joint resolution for that purpose, entitled

Joint resolution in relation to the sale of the compiled laws,

Recommend its passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. B. C. NEWCOMB, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker announced the following :

AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE, }
Lansing, January 19th, 1865. }

To the Hon. the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR:—I find upon examination, that on the 9th of April, 1856, James Townsend, of Marshall, Mich., sent a letter to this office containing an application to pay taxes of 1855, on the north 100 acres of N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 9, town 1 north, of range 5 west, and money sufficient do it; and that on the 18th of that month said application was attended to, but the clerk who paid the taxes made an error in the description, and paid on the north 100 acres of N. W. $\frac{1}{4}$ of Sec. 9, in town 2 north, of range 3 west, leaving the correct description unpaid, which was afterwards

sold and deeded to Isaac E. C. Hickook, of Olivet, Eaton county, Mich.

Under the present law I have no authority to protect the said James Townsend, who certainly acted in good faith and applied in due time to pay the taxes on his land, and as there are other cases of the same or of a similar nature, and as similar cases may happen hereafter, I would respectfully suggest that the Legislature might so amend act 136, session laws 1863, as to authorize the Auditor General to issue certificates of error, as provided for in Sec. 3 of said act, in all cases when lands have been sold and deeded through clerical errors in his department.

Very respectfully,

E. ANNEKE,

Auditor General.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The communication was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Morton moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the townships of Ash, Raisinville, Erie and Frenchtown, in the county of Monroe;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Bartow gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the relief of John Mauren, of Clinton county, by a grant of swamp land.

Mr. Colwell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Handy, in the county of Livingston.

Mr. Rowe gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the electors of any of the townships in the counties of Oakland and Wayne, to pledge their credit to aid in the construction of a railroad from or near the village of Holly, on the Detroit and Milwaukee Railroad, to or near the village of Wayne, on the Michigan Central Railroad.

Mr. Brockway offered the following:

Resolved, That the Hon. Augustus D. Griswold be and he hereby is elected Speaker *pro tem.* of this House;

Which was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. O. F. Howard,	Mr. Rowe,
G. W. Allen,	Jenness,	Runyan,
Bayley,	Jewell,	Sanderson,
Bartow,	G. C. Jones,	Schars,
Beach,	Keeler,	Shier,
Boies,	Kenney,	Slocum,
Bond,	Laing,	L. Smith,
Bonine,	Landon,	W. T. Smith,
Brockway,	Lapham,	Stewart,
Oady,	Lewis,	Swift,
Camburn,	Look,	Taylor,
Carleton,	Luther,	Thayer,
Chipman,	Mallary,	Thomas,
Clements,	May,	Tupper,
Cobb,	McKay,	Utley,
Copley,	McKernan,	Van Vleet,
Dort,	Mickley,	Warner,
Dunlap,	Monroe,	Welch,
Dussean,	Morton,	Wendell,
Fellows,	Munger,	White,
Fisher,	Newcomb,	Wilcox,
Forbes,	Nixon,	Willits,
Gies,	Nowland,	Williams,
Graham,	O'Grady,	Winsor,
Green,	Osborn,	Woodman,
Haire,	Pack,	Woodruff,
Hawley,	Packard,	Woodward,
Haynes,	Phillips,	Woodworth,
Hazen,	Pitts,	Yawkey,
Horton,	Reed,	Speaker,
M. D. Howard,		

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Mr. Landon

ask leave to introduce

A bill granting the board of supervisors authority to enact certain laws relative to the restraining of animals from running at large in the public highways.

Mr. Mallary moved to take from the table the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on supplies be and are hereby instructed to procure for the use of this Hall, one six-burner and four four-burner chandeliers, and that this Hall be lighted with kerosene oil;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Mallary then moved that the resolution be referred to the committee on supplies, with instructions to inquire into the expense of so lighting this Hall, and the propriety of the same;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Carleton offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be requested to inquire into the expediency of further legislation in the matter contained in, and in relation to an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide a military force, approved March 16th, 1864, and to add several sections thereto; that their attention be particularly called to the 19th section of said act, and to report to this House by bill or otherwise;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Phillips, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill granting swamp lands to the county of Shiawassee, to aid in cutting drains through a certain swamp in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to punish the recruiting of men for the volunteer service of other States.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Swift, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill appropriating money for the purchase of land for the Reform School.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Reform School.

Mr. Wendell, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill for laying out and constructing the Mackinaw and Iron Mountain State road, appropriating lands for that purpose.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Lewis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

Joint resolution providing for the distribution of Professor Winchell's Report of Geological Survey, for the year 1861, to the officers and members of the present Legislature;

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State library.

Mr. Bond, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit, approved March 5th, 1857, as amended by the several acts amendatory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Bond, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 182, of chapter 42, of the compiled laws, as to disorderly persons.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Bond, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize certain bonds issued by the city of Detroit, for the payment of bounties to volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Bond, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 8 of an act to provide for the collection of State and county taxes in the city of Detroit, approved March 20, 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Pack gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sanilac, in the county of Sanilac, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of the taxes in said township.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the officers and members of the Legislature, for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-five,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Chipman,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Mallory,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,

Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,

May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nowland,
G'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,

Tupper,
Warner,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Warner,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House joint resolution No. 6, entitled

Joint resolution in relation to a certain claim in the county of Monroe,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Mallary,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,

Mr. Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Warner,
Welch,

Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,

Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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† Title agreed to.

House bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to authorize any of the townships in the counties of Oakland and Macomb to pledge their credit to aid in the construction of a railway from Ridgeway, on the Grand Trunk Railroad, to or near the village of Holly, on the Detroit and Milwaukee Railroad,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,

Mr. Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schara,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,

Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,

Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
NAYS.

Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker, 87
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The question being upon agreeing to the title,

Mr. Mallary moved to amend the title by striking out the words, "or near the village of Holly," and inserting in lieu thereof, the words, "some point;"

Which was agreed to.

The title, as amended, was then agreed.

House joint resolution No. 4, entitled

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of lands by Congress, for the construction of a wagon road from Eskanauba to Sault Ste. Marie,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones.
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,

Dusseau,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Forbes,
 Gies,
 Graham,
 Green,
 Griswold,
 Haire,
 Hawley,
 Haynes,

Morton,
 Munger,
 Newcomb,
 Nixon,
 Nowland,
 O'Grady,
 Osborn,
 Pack,
 Packard,
 Philips,
 Pitts,

White,
 Wilcox,
 Willits,
 Williams,
 Winsor,
 Woodman,
 Woodruff,
 Woodward,
 Woodworth,
 Yawkey,
 Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to authorize the State Treasurer to burn and destroy the notes of the late Government Stock Bank, of Ann Arbor, now remaining in his office, and the notes of other banks in like condition,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
 G. W. Allen,
 Bayley,
 Bartow,
 Beach,
 Boies,
 Bonine,
 Brockway,
 Cady,
 Camburn,
 Carleton,
 Chipman,
 Clements,
 Cobb,
 Colwell,
 Copley,
 Dort,
 Dunlap,
 Dusseau,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Forbes,

Mr. M. D. Howard,
 O. F. Howard,
 Jenness,
 Jewell,
 J. H. Jones,
 G. C. Jones,
 Kenney,
 Laing,
 Landon,
 Lapham,
 Lewis,
 Look,
 Luther,
 May,
 McKay,
 McKernan,
 Mickley,
 Monroe,
 Morton,
 Munger,
 Newcomb,
 Nixon,

Mr. Reed,
 Rowe,
 Runyan,
 Sanderson,
 Schars,
 Shier,
 Slocum,
 L. Smith,
 W. T. Smith,
 Stewart,
 Swift,
 Taylor,
 Thayer,
 Thomas,
 Tupper,
 Van Vleet,
 Warner,
 Welch,
 Wendell,
 White,
 Wilcox,
 Willits,

Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,

Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,

Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to authorize school district No. 2, of the township of Lawrence, in the county of Van Buren, to issue bonds,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Warner asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend section one of the bill, by striking out, in line six, the words "there assembled."

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,

Mr. Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jowell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,

Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,

Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,

White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker, 87

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the townships of Ash, Raisinville and Frenchtown, in the county of Monroe,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Chipman,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
M. D. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Monroe,
Morton,
Newcomb,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Shier,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,

Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,

Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,

Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Morton,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend section 364, of the compiled laws, relative to the compensation of the members of the board of supervisors,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. M. D. Howard asked the unanimous consent of the House, to amend the bill by striking out the words "two dollars," in the first and second lines of the recited section, and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "two dollars and fifty cents;"

Objected to by Mr. Brockway.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on State affairs, with instructions to amend the bill by striking out the words "two dollars," in the first and second lines of the recited section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two dollars and fifty cents;"

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Landon asked the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by striking out the words "and expenses paid," in the second line of the recited section;

Objected to by Mr. Chipman.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to authorize the Forest Valley Salt Manufacturing company to engage in the manufacture of lumber,

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Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, Mr. Utley.

Mr. Woodworth asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr.

Utley for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the special order,

Mr. M. D. Howard in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and

through the chairman made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers;

Have made some progress therein, but not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

M. D. HOWARD, Chairman.

Report accepted.

Mr. Norton moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on war bounties, with instructions to so amend the same as to provide a uniform State bounty of \$100 to each man credited to his sub-district for one year, \$200, if credited for two years, and \$300 where credited for three years, to take

effect after the present call is filled, leaving the sub-districts to fill the present call by local bounties, and to prohibit all local bounties thereafter.

Mr. Clements moved to amend Mr. Morton's motion by striking out all after the words "when credited for three years;"

Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

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The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hickox.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Colwell, Forbes, Haire, Hazen, Look, Morton and Van Vleet.

Mr. Rowe asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Colwell, until Monday next.

Mr. Shier asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Forbes, until Monday next.

Mr. Bond asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Haire, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Winsor asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Hazen, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Horton asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Look, until Wednesday next.

Mr. Pitts asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Morton, until Tuesday next.

Mr. Aitken asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Van Vleet, until Monday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Warner: memorial of David Maiden, Charles V. Babcock and 38 others, of Oakland county, relative to the costs and other expenses incurred by the said Maiden, in defending and maintaining his title to certain University lands;

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Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Swift: memorial of I. N. Ingersoll and many other citizens of Detroit, for the passage of the bill to establish a ~~Mico~~ government in the city of Detroit;

Also: memorial of John Stephens and many other citizens of Detroit, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Schars: memorial of the township of Richmond, Macomb county, in relation to raising money to refund for money advanced by citizens to pay bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Luther: petition of A. W. Taylor and 61 others, residents of Ottawa and Muskegon counties, praying for the passage of an act authorizing the laying out and constructing a State road, running from Nunica, in Ottawa county, to Muskegon, Muskegon county, and an appropriation of swamp lands for construction of the same;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Nixon: petition of citizens of Eaton county, for repeal of act No. 160, of 1863, and also for the repeal of much of act No. 226, as authorizes appropriations of high money to the Grand River Valley Turnpike;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Munger: petition of M. B. Kelly and 42 others, petitioning for a State road running from Ovid, Clinton county, intersecting the Ithaca and St. Charles State road, in township north, one west;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Schars: remonstrance of Wm. McKibbee, C. L. Hewitt, and 91 others, electors and tax-payers of township of said Richmond, Macomb county, against legalizing action of said township for refunding voluntary subscribers to pay war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. C. Thompson: petition to C. C. Thompson and 25 others, residing in the towns of Oceana and Dalton, in

county of Muskegon, and creating three towns from the territory thereof;

Also: petition of the board of supervisors of Muskegon county, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Monroe: resolution of the board of supervisors of Branch county, asking for the passage of an act legalizing the action of the several townships, and of the city of Coldwater, in said county, in raising money for the payment of bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

, By Mr. Woodman: remonstrance of A. W. Nash and 52 others, citizens of the township of Lafayette, in Van Buren county, against the passage of an act authorizing said township to raise, by tax, money to pay bounties to volunteers, exceeding that authorized to be raised in other townships of the State;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State Library:

The committee on State Library, to who was referred joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution providing for the distribution of Prof. Winchell's report of Geological survey, for the year 1861, to the officers and members of the present Legislature,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. B. C. NEWCOMB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on engrossment and enrollment:

The committee on engrossment and enrollment, report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor the following bill and joint resolutions:

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A bill to extend
city and town
year 1864;

Also,

Joint resolution
for a grant of
the month of
Superior;

Also.

Joint resolution
States for a grant
canal from Port

Report accepted

Your commission
of the colored
begs leave to
most delicate
gentlemen give
Christian gen
tions of this

Report accepted

The Speaker

to Mr. GILL

Sir—Through
to the existing
tax lands, and
The tax law
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Auditor General shall cause each of such statements to be published in the county in which the lands therein described are situated, for eight weeks successively next previous to the first Monday of October in each year, (which shall be construed to mean eight publications, once a week,) &c."

Under this clause the publication of the tax list for 1862 was commenced in the Detroit Advertiser and Tribune nine weeks before the day of sale, and said list was published eight weeks. It was the intention of the publishers of that paper to give the list another insertion during the week next preceding the day of sale, making nine insertions in all—but an unavoidable accident to the form prevented such ninth insertion. The eighth publication took place but a day or two over a week before the day of sale, and after the aforesaid accident to the form it was absolutely impossible to give the list another insertion within the required time. The law requiring the publication for eight weeks successively next previous to the day of sale not having been strictly complied with, I deemed it prudent to withhold my warrant, and to the present time the account has not been paid. I have also deemed it prudent to withhold all deeds on sales of 1862 taxes in Wayne county, until the legality of the above publication shall in some way have been conclusively settled, and I herewith refer the matter to the Legislature to take such action as they may deem just and proper.

The amount of claim for the above publication is between five and six hundred dollars—the exact sum can be ascertained by reference to Mr. Scripps, at that time one of the publishers of the Advertiser and Tribune.

Very respectfully,

E. ANNEKE,

Auditor General.

The communication was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 19, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Secretary of State cause to be published, with the laws of the present session, all concurrent resolutions which shall be passed during the session, and that the committee on enrolled bills of the Senate and House cause all concurrent resolutions in which an appropriation of money is made, to be properly enrolled, and presented to the Governor for his signature;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The message was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 19, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That our Senators in Congress are instructed, and our Representatives requested, to use their influence in procuring the passage by Congress, of an act for the protection of the frontier in the State of Michigan, by the establishment of military posts and fortifications;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The message was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 19, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to allow increased rates of fare for passengers on railroads in the Upper Peninsula, for a limited period;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 19, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend section three thousand four hundred and fifty-nine of compiled laws, relative to bonds of registers in chancery;

2. Senate bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to consolidate the townships of China and East China, in the county of St. Clair, and organize therefrom the townships of Carleton and China;

3. Senate bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to provide for proving the by-laws, ordinances and resolutions of incorporated cities and villages, in certain cases;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators

elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

The third named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 19, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 8, entitled

A bill relative to gifts and conveyances of property to or for the use of religious societies, and institutions connected therewith;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Dort gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 241, of the session laws of 1863,

entitled an act to provide for the collection of taxes in the city of Detroit.

Mr. Jewell offered the following:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That this House have a recess for one week, commencing Thursday morning, January 26th;

Laid on the table for one day, under the rules.

Mr. Luther gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for the laying out and establishing a State road, running from Nunica, in Ottawa county, to Muskegon, in Muskegon county, and an appropriation of swamp lands for the construction of the same.

Mr. Gies gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the laws relative to supplying the city of Detroit with pure and wholesome water, and to provide for the completion and management of the Detroit water works;

Also,

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit, approved February 5th, 1857.

Mr. Clements gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the corporate authorities of the city of Ann Arbor in issuing bonds, or certificates of indebtedness, to aid in the erection of a suitable building for the use of the medical department of the University of Michigan, and to provide for the payment thereof.

Mr. Osborn offered the following:

Resolved, That all taxable inhabitants of this State who have enlisted and been mustered into the service of the United States, or of this State, for the period of three years, or have furnished a substitute for the like period of three years, and have not received a bounty of one hundred dollars from the State, county, township or ward, shall be exempt from taxes for bounty purposes to the amount of one hundred dollars;

On motion of Mr. Chipman,
The resolution was referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Boies offered the following:

Resolved, That the Commissioner of the State Land Office be and he is hereby requested to report to this House, at the earliest practicable period, such information as may appear by the files and records in his office, showing the total number of acres of swamp lands appropriated for the construction of roads; the amount actually taken upon contracts for roads; the condition of the roads that have been built or partly built; their termini and general route; if not completed whether let or otherwise; if let, to whom and on what terms; what amount of work has been performed on each; how much money has been expended from the swamp land fund on each; whether the original contracts have been abandoned or are still in force; the name and residence of the contractors; the date and duration of the contracts; together with such other general information respecting roads constructed, or now being constructed, by the appropriation of swamp lands, or the proceeds thereof, within his knowledge, as may be necessary to fully inform this House upon this subject;

Which was adopted.
Mr. Dort moved to take from the table the following resolution:

Resolved, That in the opinion of the House, the address of D. Bethune Duffield, Esq., in this Hall, last evening, embraces facts and suggestions of vast importance to the interests of Michigan, and that a copy thereof be solicited for publication, and 8,000 be printed for the use of the members of the two Houses, for distribution;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,
The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Wendell offered the following:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That copies of the ad-

dresses of D. B. Duffield, Esq., Professor Welch, of the Normal School, and Professor Winchell, of the State University, recently delivered in this Hall, be solicited for publication, and 3,000 copies (1,000 each) be printed for the use of the members of both Houses.

Laid on the table for one day, under the rules.

Mr. Nixon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section one, of act No. 160, of session laws of A. D. 1863, approved March 19th, 1863, relative to providing for the improvement of a certain road in the counties of Eaton and Ingham.

Mr. Carleton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to consolidate the towns of Oceana and Dalton, in Muskegon county, and to create three townships from the territory thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the board of supervisors of Berrien county, in the year 1863, in issuing interest-bearing bonds to pay bounties to volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Bonine, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to incorporate the Niles City Hydraulic Company.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Munger, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State road to be known as the Ovid and St. Charles State Road, and appropriating certain swamp lands for constructing the same

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The motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Winsor moved to commit the bill to a select committee of five;

Which was not agreed to.

The question then recurring on granting the committee of the whole leave to sit again in the consideration of the bill, leave was granted.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the special order,

Mr. M. D. Howard in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers;

Have made some progress therein, but not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

M. D. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted, and leave granted the committee to sit again.

On motion of Mr. Warner,

The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

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Mr. L. Smith asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Utley for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Mickley asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Wilcox until Wednesday next.

The Speaker announced the following:

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, }
Lansing, Jan. 21, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—The committee on the judiciary have, by virtue of authority granted them by a resolution of the House, appointed Otto Kairchner clerk of said committee, with a per diem allowance of \$3. Such appointment was made on and to take effect from the 14th inst.

Yours respectfully,

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Swift: memorial of Messrs. Evans & Walker, and many other citizens of Detroit, asking for the passage of the bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit;

Also: memorial of Joseph Warren and others, citizens of Detroit, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Mallary: petition of the town board of the town of Ray, in the county of Macomb, on the subject of war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. May: petition of the electors and tax-payers of the township of Springwells, in the county of Wayne, for legalizing the raising of certain war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Nixon: petition of Chauncey Goodrich and 72 others, of Eaton county, for an amendment of Act No. 67, of 1864, to authorize the counties of Jackson and Eaton, etc., to pledge their credit in aid of the construction of a railroad from Jackson to Grand Rapids, so as to place all authority in the voice of the electors of each respective township on its own behalf,

and to discontinue the authority vested in the board of supervisors, so far as the same applies to Eaton county;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Woodruff: remonstrance of William Green and 80 citizens of Bainbridge township, county of Berrien, against legalizing the tax of two hundred dollars, that the voters of said township have voted to be raised on the taxable property of said township;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Fisher: petition of the people of the township of Rives, Jackson county, to legalize their action relative to borrowing money to pay volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Aitkin: petition of civil engineers of Genesee county, for an increase of fees;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Newcomb: petition of Charles E. Crane, Dr. H. Peters, and 26 others, of the township of Palmyra, Lenawee county, praying for an act to enable the electors of said township to raise volunteers, by tax, and refund all moneys paid out for volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Woodruff: remonstrance signed by Thomas Redfern, F. W. T. Smith, Phillips Willet, and 62 others, of the township of Mottville, St. Joseph county, against legalizing the action of said township in raising a soldiers' bounty fund;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Jewell: petition of Joseph Hope and 70 others, citizens of the township of Sparta, in the county of Kent, asking for a special law authorizing them to vote such tax as they may see fit, for volunteer bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Munger: petition of Amos Gould, W. H. Faxon, and 250 others, praying for the laying out and establishing of a state road, running from Ovid, Clinton county, to intersect the

Ithica and St. Charles State road, in town ten north, one west;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Warner: petition of M. E. Crofoot, Z. B. Knight, and other members of the bar of Oakland county, asking for the increase of the fees of circuit court commissioner;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Chipman: remonstrance of Wm. Buffum, against capital punishment;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Monroe: petition of 115 tax payers and citizens of Matteson township, in Branch county, asking the passage of an act legalizing the action of said township in raising moneys to pay bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Taylor: petition of Thos. Sprague for reimbursement of moneys paid by him in recruiting the 27th regiment Michigan infantry volunteers;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

Joint resolution to authorize the Commissioner of the State Land Office to dispose of swamp and marsh lands in the county of Monroe,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to incorporate the Niles City Hydraulic Company,
Respectfully report that they have had the same under con-
sideration, and that in their judgment, section one, of article 15,
of the constitution, forbids the creation of corporations by spe-
cial enactment, except for municipal purposes, and have di-
rected me to report the same back to the House, without
recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further
consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was
referred

Senate bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to provide for proving the by-laws, ordinances and
resolutions of incorporated cities and villages, in certain cases,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under con-
sideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the
House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,
and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the
subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill as referred to the committee of the whole, and
placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was
referred

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise and
amend the charter of the city of Saginaw, approved February
5th, 1859,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under con-
sideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the
House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,

and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize Jesse Spalding to connect his boom, on the Menomiree river, with the Michigan shore, and to build, erect and maintain, a dividing boom on said Menominee river, in Menominee county, in the State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred the petition of the legal voters in the fractional school district number three, in the townships of Sidney, Evergreen, Ferris and Douglass, in the county of Montcalm,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill to authorize fractional school district number three, of the townships of Sidney, Evergreen, Ferris and Douglass, in the county of Montcalm, to issue bonds,

And recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

ty-nine, of compiled laws, relative to bonds of registers in chancery,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill creating and forming the twelfth judicial circuit,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill for the relief of Menominee county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report a substitute therefor to the House, and recommend that such substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

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Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The House concurred in the adoption of the report of the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred an act to amend an act entitled "an act to amend laws of 1859," amend section 8, of act No. 257, of

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill be discharged from the further consideration, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, C.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

ordered printed, referred to the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred a bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sanilac, for the year 1864, and to provide for the collection of taxes of said township,

Respectfully report that they have had the same

under consideration, and have directed me to report the same

to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending

that the amendment be concurred in, and that the resolution

do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, C.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. G. W. Allen,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, January 21, 1865. }

To the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State, the following, to-wit:

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the city and township of Flint, in the county of Genesee, for the year 1864;

Also,

Joint resolution asking the government of the United States for a grant of land in aid of the construction of a harbor at the mouth of the Ontonagon river, on the south shore of Lake Superior;

Also,

Joint resolution asking the government of the United States for a grant of land in aid of the construction of a ship canal from Portage Lake to Lake Superior.

HENRY H. CRAPO.

The message was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 20, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to authorize the township of Lowell, in the county of Kent, to raise money for the construction of a bridge across Flat river, in the village of Lowell;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a two-thirds vote

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of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Mickley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Seneca, Lenawee county, for the year 1864.

Mr. G. C. Jones gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the board of supervisors of the county of Ontonagon, in drawing the warrants of the county, and issuing county bonds, to raise money for the purpose of paying bounties to volunteers.

Mr. Haynes gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the sale of the agricultural farm, (so called) lying near Lansing, and the purchase of another in some more suitable location.

Mr. Hawley moved to take from the table the following entitled bill:

A bill making it obligatory upon incorporated banks and private bankers to stamp counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Hawley,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on banks and corporations.

Mr. Gies gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act to amend an act entitled an act

thorizing the payment of bounties to volunteers in the service of the United States, approved February 5th, 1864.

Mr. Bond gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to amend chapter 150, of the revised statutes of 1846, being chapter 175, of the compiled laws, entitled of the fees of certain officers in civil cases, and an act numbered 235, and approved March 20, 1863."

Mr. Horton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the depositing of bonds or responsible sureties by persons calling themselves substitute brokers, with the treasurer of the State, for their honorable and fair dealing with enlisted men.

Mr. Griswold gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 12, of act No. 117, of the session laws of 1859, as amended by section 9, of act 107, of the laws of 1861.

Mr. Winsor offered the following:

Resolved, That the reporters of the press, reporting the proceedings of this House, shall be furnished with a copy of all the documents furnished to members of this House;

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The resolution was referred to the committee on printing.

Mr. Luther, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to appoint a commissioner on the Lamont and Zealand State road, in Ottawa county, and to appropriate swamp lands for the improvement thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Keeler, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section three, of Act No. twenty three, of ses-

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sion laws of 1864, entitled an act authorizing the payment of bounties to volunteers in the service of the United States.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Camburn, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to continue in force the provisions of an act entitled act appropriating certain taxes for the improvement of a State road in the counties of Montcalm and Gratiot, being Act 233, approved February 15th, 1859, and to amend section 1 of said act.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Gies, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Detroit, as to police system.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Gies, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend the laws relative to supplying the city of Detroit with pure and wholesome water, and to provide for the completion and management of the Detroit water works.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following resolution:
Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That copies of the addresses of D. B. Duffield, Esq., Professor Welch, of the Normal School, and Professor Winchell, of the State University, recently delivered in this Hall, be solicited for publication, and 8,000 copies (1,000 each) be printed for the use of the members of both Houses.

Mr. Dort moved to amend the resolution by striking out after the word "and," in the third line from the bottom, a

insert in lieu thereof the following: "that 1,000 copies be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the members and officers of the Legislature, and 500 copies for the use of the Agricultural Society;"

Which was agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

Also, the consideration of the following resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That this House have a recess for one week, commencing Thursday morning, January 26th.

On motion of Mr. Chipman,

The resolution was laid on the table.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the special order,

Mr. M. D. Howard in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers;

Have made some progress therein, but not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

M. D. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted, and leave granted the committee to sit again.

Mr. Pitts moved that the House adjourn until Monday morning at 10 o'clock;

Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.
Roll called: quorum present.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker announced the following

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 21, 186

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR— I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the
the following bill, (and accompanying petitions:)

Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of D

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of a
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the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLEN

Secretary of the Se

The bill was read a first and second time by its title.
The bill and accompanying documents were referred to the
committee on the judiciary.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,
The House went into committee of the whole, on the
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House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers
Have made some progress therein, but not having

through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

M. D. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted, and leave granted the committee to sit again.

On motion of Mr. Pitts,

The House adjourned until Monday morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Monday, January 23, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Meyer.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Bond, Fisher, Gies and Laing.

Mr. Monroe asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bond until Wednesday next.

Mr. Woodward asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Fisher for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. G. C. Jones asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Gies until to-morrow.

Mr. Phillips asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Laing until Tuesday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. May: petition of James L. Dekay and 22 others, taxpayers of Hamtramck, Wayne county, for power to loan money to pay loans made to fill the quota on the last call for 500,000 men;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Welch: petition of Seth E. Moffett, William Hawley and 30 others, of the town of Lyons, Ionia county, relative to fees of town officers;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

The Speaker announced the following:

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Lansing, January 23, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I have this day appointed Laurens B. Potter, Assistant
Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk, pursuant to a resolution of
House.

Very respectfully,

WM. A. HALL,
Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk

Mr. Potter came forward, and having sworn and s
scribed to the constitutional oath, entered upon the dischar
of his duties.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SAVINGS BANK,
Detroit, Jan. 3, 1865, }

To the Hon. the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—On behalf of the Trustees of this office, I transmit he
with their annual statement, ending Dec. 31, 1864.

Yours, very respectfully,

A. U. ADAMS, Cashier

Condition of the Detroit Savings Fund Institute, Dec. 31, 18

LIABILITIES.

To 2315 depositors,.....\$538,614
Surplus means used as working capital,..... 62,591

\$591,205

MEANS.

Bills discounted,.....\$168,285
Mortgages in city of Detroit and county of Wayne, 146,695
Bonds—United States,.....\$87,250 00
Michigan,..... 5,050 00
Wayne County,..... 22,010 00
New York,..... 4,700 00
Missouri,..... 1,610 00

City of Detroit,	\$5,500 00	
Railroad,	6,527 50	
	<hr/>	\$82,647 50
Office furniture, safe, &c.,		1,023 67
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		\$398,651 94
Cash—On Deposit in New York and Bos-		
ton,	\$43,899 86	
On hand, (of which \$48,000 is in		
5 per cent. Treasury Notes,) ..	148,654 77	
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		<u>\$591 204 57</u>

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on geological survey:

The committee on geological survey, to whom was referred that part of the Governor's message relating to geology, respectfully report that the part of the message assigned them submits the propriety of making an appropriation of money for the completion of the geological survey of the State.

To enable themselves to act intelligently in the discharge of the duty assigned them, your committee addressed Prof. Winchell, whose name is identified with the geology of the State, and obtained from him a statement of the extent to which the survey is already prosecuted; what part of the work yet remains to be done; what known facts yet remain unpublished; and what provisions should be made to complete the survey and record—which statement accompanies this report. In the light of the facts thus gained, your committee are of the opinion that the geological survey of the State ought to be carried forward as speedily as possible, to its final completion. They have therefore instructed me to submit the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill to provide for the completion of the geological survey of the State,

Providing for such completion, recommending that it do pass,

previously known to exist, close to the water's edge; has made known the existence, within our State, of the oil formation, which has added so much to the wealth of other States; and in hundreds of instances has guided enterprise and capital to investments which have added largely to our private and public means.

While so much has resulted from expenditures so insignificant; while the work still remains unfinished; while multitudes of facts not yet published have been brought into existence and may be lost by the vicissitudes of a single year; while our people generally are not only *willing* to expend the money, but everywhere and on every hand advise it, the legislators who would fail to acknowledge the propriety of carrying on the work, even while the country is engaged in a great war, would be pronounced by the world unequal to the duties imposed upon them.

A state of war, and an unusual drain upon the treasury, does not diminish the propriety of encouraging such a work. The objection supposes the work is to be a mere expenditure; while the truth is, a geological survey is an investment to earn money. The lower our finances, the greater the need of making the resort. But our finances are in good condition, and no objection can be made that would be free from the suspicion of unenlightened parsimony.

The surveys already executed, amount to a good general reconnoissance or superficial examination of the entire State, with the exception of the interior of the upper half of the Lower Peninsula.

This unexplored region should at once be examined to the extent of such a general survey as is necessary to be made as preliminary to a *thorough* survey.

The greatest necessity exists however for a thorough geological survey of the entire State. In the Upper Peninsula no surveys have been made since the year 1850.

None have been made by State authority since 1841.

For twenty-four years the State of Michigan has been in

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possession of that vast and important mineral region
 not expended a dollar in having it surveyed and a
 made known to the mineral world.
 Since 1850 not

Since 1850, nothing has been published, with trifling exceptions, on the geology and mineralogy of that portion of the State.

In the meantime, enormous progress has been made in the development of facts which ought to be collected, digested and published. The true interests of the State demand that the hitherto inaccessible wilderness shall be done, and that the scientific scholar, and developed be traversed by the same means that have proved so successful in the more accessible portions of the Lower Peninsula.

Even at this examination.

Even at this moment, non-resident capitalists, more enterprising than many of our own citizens, are buying up our lands at nominal prices, developing the mineral value embraced in the earth which they own, and selling them at enormous profits, which our own citizens, if they were enlightened all through to secure for themselves. Public venturers, and open equal facilities to all of our people, would refer to the contents of the rock resources, and install the mischief perpetrated by foreign while it would hasten the development of our fifth larger than the place our citizens on a fair and equal natural augurate a the arrived when this great State—more

The time has arrived when this great State—more
 the “Empire State” of the Union—
 rough and detailed scientific examination
 es, and publish the results to the
 ey is necessarily an agricultural survey
 aid of a botanical or zoölogical survey
 or all of these branches of scientific
 large proportion of the immediate re-
 ment of the agriculture of the State.
 are reached by determining the d-

of the various kinds of rocks from which soils are made; the location and constitution and history of the various fertilizers which may be applied to the restoration or improvement of soils; the collection and exhibition, not only of rock specimens, but also of specimens of all of our soils and subsoils from all parts of our State; the chemical examination of such soils, and publication of results.

Time would fail to enumerate the benefits of a scientific survey, whether to agriculture, the arts, or education. These benefits have been often promulgated, and are every day exemplified to the eyes of the intelligent and discerning.

Argument of this kind has already been superseded, and Maine, New York, Illinois and California are prosecuting their surveys despite the agitations of the times, while other States, like Michigan, are waiting the conclusion of the war to resume surveys already inaugurated. But Michigan, of all others, can least afford to wait. Michigan has most to expect from the development of her mineral resources, and ought not to be a whit behind California in striving to set them in a favorable light before the world.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. W. T. Smith gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill requiring the Quartermaster General to give bonds.

Mr. W. T. Smith offered the following:

Whereas, The business before this House is rapidly accumulating, with no corresponding evidence of dispatch;

And whereas, The physical preservation and the pecuniary salvation of its members, not less than the moral welfare and safety of the citizens of Lansing, require that the present session of this Legislature should terminate at the earliest day practicable; therefore

Resolved, That no member of this House shall be compelled to speak against his will, either for the purpose of displaying his patriotism or ability; neither shall any member be allowed

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to occupy more than six hours at one time, or be permitted to discuss during one speech more than the same number of rate and distinct propositions, neither of which has any relation to the subject properly before the House.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,
The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to enable the township of Brady to levy and collect tax to pay town bonds, issued to pay bounties to volunteers.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would leave to introduce

A bill to enable the township of Chesaning, in the county of Saginaw, to levy and collect tax to pay bonds issued to bounties to volunteers.

Mr. Bonine gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section three thousand six hundred and seven, of the compiled laws, relating to the commencement of the action before justices of the peace

Mr. Wood gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Jackson, approved February 14, 1857.

Mr. Graham gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 3670, of the compiled laws, relating to actions commenced by attachment in justices' courts.

Mr. McKernan gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill asking a grant of swamp land in the Upper Peninsula to aid in the construction of a canal from Lake Superior to La Belle, on certain conditions.

Mr. Wenz gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution asking the general government for

appropriation of lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from E-kanawba, on the Little Bay de Noquet, (the terminus of the Upper Peninsula Railroad,) to the Straits of Michilimackinac.

Mr. Williams offered the following:

Resolved, That the resident officiating and resident clergy of Lanning be invited to officiate, in order, as Chaplain of this House;

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Mallary offered the following:

Resolved, That the name of the Rev. Mr. Meyer be added to the list of those invited to act as Chaplain of this House;

Mr. O'Grady moved to amend the resolution by inserting the name of "Rev. Father Vandendriesche," after the name of Mr. Meyer;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Graham moved to further amend the resolution by including the name of "Rev. Mr. Hall;"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Maxwell moved to further amend the resolution by including the name of "Rev. Mr. Brockway;"

Which was agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

Mr. Griswold, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 12, of act No. 117, of the session laws of 1859, as amended by section 9, of act 107, of the session laws of 1861.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Keeler, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 587, of compiled laws, relative to the compensation, *per diem*, of certain township officers.

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The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Maxwell, previous notice having been given, and being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the construction of a State road from the forks of Cass river, to Bay City, in Bay county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Mickley, previous notice having been given, and being granted, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Seneca, in the county of Lenawee, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Maxwell, previous notice having been given, and being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the improvement of the navigation of the Saginaw river, and for the removal of the outer bar at its mouth thereof, and to authorize the county of Bay to raise money in aid thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Jewell gave notice that on some future day he would introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the reclamation of swamp lands by means of drainage and it is hereby approved March 15th, 1861.

Mr. Utley gave notice that on some future day he would introduce

A bill appropriating certain swamp lands to the aid in the construction of a bridge across the Newaygo river, in the township of Bridgeton, in said county.

Mr. Slocum gave notice that on some future day he would introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the reclamation of swamp lands by means of drainage and it is hereby approved March 15th, 1861.

Mr. Utley gave notice that on some future day he would introduce

A bill appropriating certain swamp lands to the aid in the construction of a bridge across the Newaygo river, in the township of Bridgeton, in said county.

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Wright, Hillsdale county:

Mr. Yawkey moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the city of East Saginaw;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Yawkey,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr Warner gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the village of Farmington.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the city of East Saginaw,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. J. H. Jones,	Mr. Sanderson,
G. W. Allen,	G. C. Jones,	Schays,
Bayley,	Keeler,	Shier,
Bartow,	Laudon,	Slocum,
Beach,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
Bonine,	Lewis,	W. T. Smith,
Brockway,	Luther,	Stewart,
Cady,	Mallary,	Swift,
Camburn,	Maxwell,	Taylor,
Carleton,	May,	Thayer,
Chipman,	McKay,	Thomas,
Cobb,	McKernan,	Tupper,
Copley,	Mickley,	Uiley,
Dort,	Monroe,	Warner,
Dunlap,	Munger,	Welch,
Dussean,	Newcomb,	Wendell,
Fellows,	Nixon,	White,
Graham,	Nowland,	Willits,
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Williams,
Hawley,	Pack,	Winsor,
Haynes,	Packard,	Woodman,

Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,

Phillips,
Pitte,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
NAYS.

Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker, 78
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Yawkey,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the special order,

Mr. M. D. Howard in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers;

Have made some amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

M. D. HOWARD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Woodman moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

Mr. Warner demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
Beach,
Bonine,
Brockway,

Mr. Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,

Mr. L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Taylor,
Thayer,

Camburn,	Maxwell,	Utley,
Cobb,	McKay,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	White,
Graham,	Munger,	Williams,
Griswold,	Nixon,	Winsor,
Haynes,	O'Grady,	Woodman,
M. D. Howard,	Packard,	Woodruff,
Jewell,	Phillips,	Woodward,
J. H. Jones,	Runyan,	Woodworth,
G. O. Jones,	Sanderson,	Yawkey,
Keeler,	Shier,	Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. G. W. Allen,	Mr. Horton,	Mr. Reed,
Bayley,	O. F. Howard,	Rowe,
Bartow,	Jenness,	Schars,
Cady,	Mallary,	Slocum,
Carleton,	May,	Swift,
Chipman,	Mickley,	Thomas,
Copley,	Monroe,	Tupper,
Dort,	Newcomb,	Warner,
Dusseau,	Osborn,	Welch,
Fellows,	Pack,	Willits,
Hawley,	Pitts,	

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Mr. Griswold then moved to amend the bill by inserting after the word "State," in the seventh line of section 6, the following: "Or to the agent of any military sub-district on account of the credit of such person;"

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Brockway moved to commit the bill to the committee on the judiciary;

Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Monroe moved to amend the bill by striking out the word "two," in the fifth line of section 1, and inserting the word "one," in lieu thereof;

Mr. Woodman called for a division of the question.

The question being first on striking out the word "two,"

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Copley moved to fill the blank with the word "three;"

Mr. Maxwell moved to fill the blank with the word "no;"

The motion of Mr. Copley was not agreed to.

The motion of Mr. Maxwell was withdrawn.

The motion of Mr. Monroe to fill the blank with the word "one," was not agreed to.

Mr. Griswold moved to further amend the bill by striking out all of section one, after the enacting clause, and also sections two, three and four;

Mr. Welch moved to strike out all of the bill after the enacting clause;

Which was not agreed to.

The motion of Mr. Griswold was agreed to.

Mr. Brockway then moved to commit the bill to the committee on the judiciary;

Mr. G. C. Jones offered as a substitute for the motion, that the bill be referred to a select committee of five, with instructions to perfect such bill in form, and to add such provisions as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of section five thereof;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2½ o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2½ o'clock P. M.

The House

Roll called =

met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

The Speaker

announced as the special committee to consider

and perfect

House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to

authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers,

Messrs.

G. C. Jones, Griswold, Williams, Mickley and

Horton.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion

The House

Of Mr. Fellows,

order,

went into committee of the whole, on the general

Mr. Warner

in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled joint resolutions:

1. House joint resolution No. 5, entitled

Joint resolution asking the general government for a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Mineral Range railroad;

2. House joint resolution No. 7, entitled

Joint resolution in relation to the improvement of the mouth of the Saginaw River;

3. House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Government of the United States to establish a national foundry at Marquette, in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bill:

4. House bill No. 15, entitled

A bill to amend section 579 of the compiled laws, being section 87, of chapter 12, requiring overseers of highways to give bonds in a sum double the amount of money that shall come into their hands;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled joint resolution:

5. Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled

A joint resolution instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress to urge upon the general government the necessity of establishing a general naval recruiting and muster-in office for the State of Michigan;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their

chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bills:

6. House bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to amend section nine hundred and seventy-nine, of the compiled laws, relative to duties upon sales at auction.

7. House bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to authorize the Governor of this State to convey certain lands;

8. House bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to extend to actual settlers under the provisions of the "Homestead Act," certain rights and privileges, as freeholders;

9. House bill No. 18, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Pulaski, in Jackson county, for the year 1864;

10. Senate bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend section 21, of chapter 63, being section 1819 of the compiled laws,

11. Senate bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to provide for the improvement of the navigation of Saginaw river, and to authorize the county of Saginaw to loan money in aid thereof;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

P. DEAN WARNER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

The amendments made by the committee to the first, second and third named joint resolutions were concurred in, *in gross*, and the reading. Joint resolutions were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,
The amendments made to the fourth named, being House bill No. 16, were concurred in, *in gross*.

Mr. G. C. Jones moved to further amend the bill by inserting the enacting clause at the beginning of section 1, as follows:
"The people of the State of Michigan enact;"

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones,

The bill was then placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Winsor moved to amend the fifth named resolution, being Senate manuscript joint resolution, by striking out the word "Detroit," in the first resolution, and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "East Saginaw;"

Mr. Brockway moved to amend the amendment, by striking out "East Saginaw," and inserting "Lyon Lake, in Calhoun county," in lieu thereof;

Which was not agreed to.

The amendment of Mr. Winsor was not agreed to.

Mr. Mallary moved to amend the first resolution by striking out "Detroit," and inserting "Grand Rapids" in lieu thereof;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. O'Grady moved to amend the resolution by striking out "Detroit," and inserting "Marquette" in lieu thereof;

Mr. Warner called for a division of the question.

The question first being on striking out the word "Detroit,"

The motion was not agreed to.

The joint resolution was then placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The sixth and seventh named, being House bills No. 21 and 20, were placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Stewart moved to recommit the eighth named, being House bill No. 19, to the committee on State affairs, with instructions to confer such privileges to settlers under the State homestead act;

Which was not agreed to.

The bill was then placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The ninth, tenth and eleventh named, being House bill No.

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third reading.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Tuesday, January 24, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Mr. Winsor.

Mr. Welch asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Winsor for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Chipman: memorial of Byron G. Stout, Sanford M. Green, Michael E. Crofoot, Robert W. Davis, Samuel E. Beach, and 78 others, setting forth the injustice and fraud of the memorial of W. M. McConnell, Wallace Norton, and 24 others, heretofore presented, against Henry M. Look, a member of this House, and saying that regard be had to the will of the electors of the second representative district of Oakland county, as by them lawfully expressed;

Referred to the committee on elections.

By Mr. Mile s: petition of L. M. Mason and 16 others, praying for the construction of a State road, and an appropriation of swamp land therefor, from Thunder Bay, on Lake Huron, to Grand Traverse Bay, on Lake Michigan;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. U s: petition of E. O. Rose, Charlie Gay and 17 others, asking that the name of the township of Leonard, in the county of M costa, be changed to "Big Rapids;"

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. M es: petition of Theodore H. Eaton and 15 others, praying for an appropriation of 20,000 acres of swamp-lands for the improvement of Thunder Bay river and its branches;

Referred to the committee on harbors.

By Mr. Cady: petition of Henry Bloss and 5 others, citizens of the township of Erin, Macomb county, asking that section 86, now belonging to the township of Erin, may be set back to the township of Warren, where it formerly belonged;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Jewell: petition of Joseph Hope and 82 others, citizens of Sparta, Kent county, asking for a special act authorizing them to levy a tax on the township for refunding moneys paid to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Look: memorial from the members of the bar of the city of Pontiac, praying that the salaries of the Circuit Judges be paid in gold, or that provision be made for the payment of their expenses;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Packard: petition from the members and officers of the Allegan county bar, praying that our judicial officers may receive their salaries in gold or its equivalent;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. White: petition of F. J. Littlejohn and others, of the township of Allegan, Allegan county, asking for an extension of the time for the collection of taxes in said township;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

By Mr. White: petition from the tax payers of the township of Martin, Allegan county, on the subject of war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Taylor: petition of J. O. Goodale and 23 others, taxpayers of the township of Chesaning, county of Saginaw, to levy and collect a tax to pay their bonds and certificates issued for bounty purposes;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Taylor: petition of John Ward and 26 other taxpayers of the township of Brady, Saginaw county, for legalizing their bonds and certificates for bounty purposes;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. McKernan: petition of A. C. Davis and others, for the creation of a new township in the county of Keewenaw;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Woodman: petition of citizens of the city of Jackson, praying for amendments to the charter of said city;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Bartow: petition of citizens of Dallas, Clinton county, to legalize vote to raise bounties for volunteers;

Also: petition of citizens of Watertown, Clinton county, to authorize money refunded, raised to pay bounties to volunteers;

Also: petition of township board of Westphalia, Clinton county, to legalize vote to raise bounties for volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Landon: petition of Reynolds Landon, S. K. Higgins, and sixty-five others, tax-payers of Jackson county, asking that the highway law be so amended as to grant township highway commissioners the right to locate and dig drains or ditches for the benefit of roads;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Welch: petition of W. D. Arnold, Martin Kimbell, Luther Carpenter, and a host of others, begging for township bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Welch: petition of John C. Smith, W. B. Wells, and 80 others, relative to the appropriation of certain non-resident highway taxes, on the Grand River turnpike, in Ionia county;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. G. W. Allen: petition of Thomas B. Church and 17 others, citizens of Kent county, praying for an increase of fees to circuit court commissioners;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Pitts: petition of township board of township of Exeter, Monroe county, asking that the action of said township board, in raising bounties on call of July, 1864, be legalized;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Graham: petition of Geo. H. Murdock and 97 others, of Berrien county, praying for amendment of the law relative to fishing with seines in certain counties in the State of Michigan;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

By Mr. O. F. Howard: petition of Edward Jefferson, J. S. Richards, and 38 others, to permit the township of Florence to raise money, by vote of the township, to pay volunteers on previous calls;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to continue in force the provisions of an act entitled an act appropriating certain taxes for the improvement of a State road in the counties of Montcalm and Gratiot, being act No. 233, approved February 15, 1859, and to amend section 2 of said act,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to allow increased rates of fare for passengers on railroads in the Upper Peninsula, for a limited period,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and without recommendation,

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and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Yawkey,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred a memorial of Evans & Walker, and many other citizens of Detroit, asking the passage of the bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit, and memorial of Joseph Warren and others, citizens of Detroit, for the same;

Also,

A bill to amend an act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit, approved February 5th, 1857, amended by the several acts amendatory thereof;

Also,

A bill to amend the laws relative to supplying the city of Detroit with pure and wholesome water, and to provide for the completion and management of the Detroit water works,

Would respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the several memorials and bills back to the House, and to recommend that, as Senate bill No. - 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit,

Has been referred to the judiciary committee, all the above named papers be referred to the same committee, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Chipman,

The recommendations of the committee were concurred in, and the several memorials and bills were referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By the committee on harbors:

The committee on harbors, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the township of Holland, in the county of Ottawa, to appoint commissioners to establish a rate of tolls and charges, and to aid in the improvement of the harbor at Black Lake, in said county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

SAML. W. YAWKEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on mines and minerals:

The committee on mines and minerals, to whom was referred

A bill to amend sections one and four of an act to remit the specific tax upon mining, manufacturing, smelting and other companies of the Upper Peninsula, to the counties in which they arise, for a period of five years, and to provide for the application of the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

GEO. C. JONES, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on engrossment and enrollment:

The committee on engrossment and enrollment, report as correctly enrolled, signed, and presented to the Governor, the following entitled bill:

A bill to authorize the township of Lowell, to raise money for the construction of a bridge across Flat river, in the village of Lowell.

JOHN LANDON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The special committee to whom was referred House bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers,
With instructions to perfect such bill in form, and to add such provisions as may be necessary to carry into effect the provisions of section 5 thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

GEO. C. JONES, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that the House concur in the amendment made to the bill by the committee;

Mr. Chipman demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion to concur prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Beach,
Bonine,
Brookway,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Dunlap,
Graham,
Griswold,
Haynes,
M. D. Howard,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Laing,

Mr. Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Miles,
Monroe,
Munger,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,

Mr. Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Uteley,
Wendell,
White,
Williams,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,

NAYS.

Mr. A. Allen,
 Bayley,
 Bartow,
 Cady,
 Chipman,
 Cobb,
 Colwell,
 Copley,
 Dort,
 Dussseau,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,

Mr. Green,
 Hawley,
 Horton,
 O. F. Howard,
 Jenness,
 Mallery,
 May,
 Mickley,
 Newcomb,
 Osborn,
 Pack,
 Pitts,

Mr. Rowe,
 Schars,
 Slocum,
 Stewart,
 Swift,
 Thomas,
 Tupper,
 Warner,
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Mr. Horton moved to amend the bill by striking out the words "nineteenth day of December, A. D. 1864," in the first section, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "twenty-third day of January, A. D. 1865;"

Mr. Munger moved to amend the amendment, by striking out the words "twenty-third day of January, A. D. 1865," and inserting in lieu thereof, "fourteenth day of December, A. D. 1864;"

Which was not agreed to.

The amendment of Mr. Horton was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
 Lansing, January 24, 1865. }

To the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State, the following, to wit:

An act to authorize the township of Lowell, to raise money for the construction of a bridge across Flat river, in the village of Lowell.

HENRY H. CRAPO.

The message was laid on the table.

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MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 23, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That copies of the addresses of D. B. Duffield, Esq., Professor Welch, of the Normal School, and Professor Winchell, of the State University, recently delivered in this Hall, be solicited for publication, and that 1,000 copies be printed in pamphlet form for the use of the members and officers of the Legislature, and 500 copies for the use of the Agricultural Society;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

THOMAS H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

The message was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 23, 1865. }

To the Speaker and

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

A bill to
Saginaw, No. 9, entitled

the collection of the tax roll of the city of Saginaw, county of the year A. D. 1864, and to extend the time for the taxes of said city;

Which the Senate has amended by inserting the word "as," in the 3d section of section 1, after the word "declared;" also by inserting the following words after the word "legal," in the same line: "as though the assessment rolls had been made by the assessors within the time prescribed by law, and as legal though the taxes charged upon each parcel had been carried out separately, opposite each description in said rolls, as required by law;"

In the passage of which, as amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Williams moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Jenness,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	Jewell,	Rowe,
G. W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Runyan,
Bayley,	G. C. Jones,	Sanderson,
Bartow,	Keeler,	Schars,
Beach,	Laing,	Seymour,
Bonine,	Landon,	Shier,
Brockway,	Lapham,	W. T. Smith,
Cady,	Lewis,	Stewart,
Cambarn,	Look,	Swift,
Carleton,	Luther,	Taylor,
Chipman,	Mallary,	Thayer,
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Thomas,
Colwell,	May,	Tupper,
Copley,	McKay,	Utley,
Dort,	McKernan,	Warner,
Dunlap,	Mickley,	Welch,
Dussean,	Miles,	Wendell,
Fellows,	Monroe,	White,
Fisher,	Munger,	Willits,
Graham,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Green,	Nixon,	Woodman,
Griswold,	Nowland,	Woodruff,
Hawley,	O'Grady,	Woodward,
Haynes,	Osborn,	Woodworth,
Horton,	Pack,	Yawkey,
M. D. Howard,	Packard,	Speaker,
O. F. Howard,	Phillips,	

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The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

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SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 23, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :
SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House
the following bill:
Senate bill No. 20, entitled
A bill to encourage immigration;
Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the
Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is
respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and re-
ferred to the committee on State affairs.
The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 23, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :
SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House
the following bill:
House bill No. 6, entitled
A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sandstone,
Jackson county, for the year 1864;
Which the Senate has amended as follows: By inserting the
word "as" in the third line of section one, after the word
"declared" Also, by inserting in the same line, after the
word "leg" the words "as though the electors of said town-
ship had specified at their township meeting, that the moneys
voted to raised for bounty purposes, should be raised by
tax, as re- raised by law;"
In the passage of which, as amended, the Senate has con-
curred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has or-
dered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds
all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Jenness,	Mr. Rowe,	
A. Allen,	Jewell,	Sanderson,	
G. W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Schars,	
Bayley,	G. C. Jones,	Seymour,	
Bartow,	Keeler,	Shier,	
Beach,	Laing,	Slocum,	
Bonine,	Landon,	L. Smith,	
Brockway,	Lapham,	W. T. Smith,	
Oady,	Lewis,	Stewart,	
Camburn,	Look,	Swift,	
Carleton,	Luther,	Taylor,	
Cobb,	Mallery,	Thayer,	
Oolwell,	Maxwell,	Thomas,	
Copley,	May,	Tupper,	
Dort,	McKernan,	Utley,	
Dunlap,	Mickley,	Warner,	
Dusseau,	Miles,	Welch,	
Fellows,	Monroe,	Wendell,	
Fisher,	Munger,	White,	
Graham,	Newcomb,	Willits,	
Green,	Nixon,	Williams,	
Griswold,	Nowland,	Woodman,	
Haire,	O'Grady,	Woodruff,	
Hawley,	Osborn,	Woodward,	
Haynes,	Packard,	Woodworth,	
Horton,	Phillips,	Yawkey,	
M. D. Howard,	Pitta,	Speaker,	
O. F. Howard,	Reed,		88
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The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 23, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR:—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 5, entitled

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A bill to legalize the assessment roll of the township of Richland, in the county of Saginaw, for the year 1864; In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. L. Smith gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State road in Gratiot county, and ask for an appropriation of State swamp lands to aid in the construction of the same.

Mr. Williams offered the following:

Resolved, That the chairman of the war bounty committee furnish for the information of this House,

1st. The number of petitions received upon the subject of legalizing purposes; action in regard to raising money for bounty

2d. The counties and townships, giving the name of each, from which said petitions have been received, and report the facts to this House as soon as possible;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Nowell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the electors of the townships of Huron, Brownstown, Monguagon, Taylor and Romulus, in the county of Wayne, and to provide for paying the indebtedness of such townships incurred in filling their quotas in the call of July, 1864, for 500,000 men.

Mr. Brockway offered the following:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That any messenger boy

of this Legislature, who shall hereafter be caught sliding down the stair railing, shall be forthwith discharged from his position as such messenger boy;

Laid on the table for one day under the rules.

Mr. Chipman gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill relative to free schools in the city of Detroit;

Also,

A bill to provide for the levying and collecting of taxes for the maintenance of free schools in the city of Detroit.

Mr. Mallary moved to take from the table House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to change the name of Truman W. Willey;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. McKernan gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the township of Sibley, in Keweenaw county.

Mr. G. O. Jones gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the boards of supervisors in the counties in the Upper Peninsula to appoint commissioners to fill vacancies in the office of State Road Commissioner in the counties in the Upper Peninsula.

Mr. Maxwell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the sheriffs of certain counties to serve process issued by justices of the peace.

Mr. Dort, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 2, of act No. 241, of the session laws of 1863, entitled an act to provide for the collection of State and county taxes in the city of Detroit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Griswold, by unanimous consent, introduced Joint resolution asking an appropriation of land by Congress, to endow Female Colleges in the several States.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. McKernan, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to aid in the construction of a ship canal from Lake Superior to Lac la Belle, in Keweenaw county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. McKernan, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Houghton county, to draw certain swamp land money, and to expend the same on the L'Anse Bay and State line State road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Woodruff, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the township of St. Joseph, Berrien county, in raising money by tax, to pay bounties to volunteers, under the call of the President of the United States, in July, 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to prevent fishing with seines and every kind of nets, in certain counties of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to enable the township of Brady, in Saginaw county, to pay its bonds and certificates, issued to pay bounties to volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to enable the township of Chesaning, in the county of Saginaw, to levy and collect taxes to pay its bonds and certificates, issued to pay bounties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Colwell, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Handy, in the county of Livingston, for the year A. D. 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Utley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 6, of act No. 175, of the session laws of 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Cady, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Warren, in the county of Macomb.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Woodward, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Jackson," approved February 14, 1857.

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The bill
referred
Mr. Bonine,
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A bill
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was read a first and second time by its title, and
to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Bonine, previous notice having been given, and leave
wanted, introduced

to amend section 8657, of the compiled laws, relating
to the commencement of action before justices of the peace.

was read a first and second time by its title, and
to the committee on the judiciary.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to amend section nine hundred and seventy-nine, of the
compiled laws, relative to duties upon sales at auction,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-
bers elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Rowe,
A. Allen,	J. H. Jones.	Runyan,
G. W. Allen,	G. C. Jones,	Sanderson,
Bayley,	Keeler,	Schara,
Bartow,	Laing,	Seymour,
Beach,	Landon,	Shier,
Bonine,	Lapham,	Slocum,
Brockway,	Lewis,	L. Smith,
Cady,	Look,	W. T. Smith,
Camburn,	Luther,	Stewart,
Carleton,	Mallary,	Swift,
Chipman,	Maxwell,	Taylor,
Cobb,	May,	Thayer,
Colwell,	McKay,	Thomas,
Copley,	McKernan,	Tupper,
Dort,	Mickley,	Utley,
Dunlap,	Miles,	Warner,
Dusseau,	Monroe,	Welch,
Fellows,	Munger,	Wendell,
Fisher,	Newcomb,	White,
Graham,	Nixon,	Willits,
Green,	Nowland,	Williams,
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Woodman,
Hawley,	Osborn,	Woodruff,
Haynes,	Pack,	Woodward,
Horton,	Packard,	Woodworth,

M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,

Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,

Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to authorize the Governor of this State to convey certain lands,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,

Mr. Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. O. Jones,
Keeler,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallory,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickleby,
Miles,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,

NAYS.

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schara,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Cobb,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 18, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Pulaaki, in Jackson county, for the year 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,

Mr. Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallory,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,

Mr. Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Warner,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Landon,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend section 21, of chapter 63, being section 1319 of the compiled laws,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. G. C. Jones moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee on the judiciary;

Which motion prevailed.

Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled

A joint resolution instructing our Senators, and requesting our Representatives in Congress to urge upon the general government the necessity of establishing a general naval recruiting and muster-in office for the State of Michigan,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Rowe,
G. W. Allen,	G. C. Jones,	Runyan,
Bayley,	Keeler,	Sanderson,
Bartow,	Laing,	Schars,
Beach,	Landon,	Seymour,
Bonine,	Lapham,	Shier,
Brockway,	Lewis,	Slocum,
Cady,	Look,	L. Smith,
Camburn,	Luther,	W. T. Smith,
Carleton,	Mallary,	Stewart,
Chipman,	Maxwell,	Swift,
Cobb,	May,	Taylor,
Colwell,	McKay,	Thayer,
Copley,	McKernan,	Thomas,
Dort,	Mickley,	Tupper,
Dunlap,	Miles,	Warner,
Dusseau,	Monroe,	Welch,
Fellows,	Munger,	Wendell,
Fisher,	Newcomb,	White,
Graham,	Nixon,	Willits,
Green,	Nowland,	Williams,
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Woodman,
Hawley,	Osborn,	Woodruff,
Haynes,	Pack,	Woodward,
Horton,	Packard,	Woodworth,

M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,

Phillips,
Pitts,

Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title and preamble agreed to.

House bill No. 15, entitled

A bill to amend section five hundred and seventy-nine of the compiled laws, being section eighty-seven, of chapter twelve, requiring overseers of highways to give bonds in a sum double the amount of money that may come into their hands,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Alien,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,
Haynes,
M. D. Howard,

Mr. O. F. Howard, Mr. Rowe,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Look,
Luther,
Mallory,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,

Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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Mr. Horton,
Lewis,
Maxwell,

Mr. Nixon,
Pitts,

Mr. Shier,
Yawkey,

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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to provide for the improvement of the navigation of Saginaw river, and to authorize the county of Saginaw to loan money in aid thereof,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Rowe,	
A. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Runyan,	
G. W. Allen,	G. C. Jones,	Sanderson,	
Bartow,	Keeler,	Schars,	
Beach,	Laing,	Seymour,	
Bonine,	Lapham,	Shier,	
Brockway,	Lewis,	Slocum,	
Cady,	Look,	L. Smith,	
Camburn,	Luther,	W. T. Smith,	
Carleton,	Mallary,	Stewart,	
Chipman,	Maxwell,	Swift,	
Cobb,	May,	Taylor,	
Colwell,	McKay,	Thayer,	
Copley,	McKernan,	Thomas,	
Dort,	Mickley,	Tupper,	
Dunlap,	Miles,	Uley,	
Dusseau,	Monroe,	Warner,	
Fellows,	Munger,	Welch,	
Fisher,	Newcomb,	Wendell,	
Graham,	Nixon,	White,	
Green,	Nowland,	Willits,	
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Williams,	
Hawley,	Osborn,	Woodman,	
Haynes,	Pack,	Woodruff,	
Horton,	Packard,	Woodward,	
M. D. Howard,	Phillips,	Woodworth,	
O. F. Howard,	Pitts,	Yawkey,	
Jenness,	Reed,	Speaker,	84
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Yawkey,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 19, entitled

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A bill to extend the "Homestead Act," certain rights and privileges, as freeholders, was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. O'Grady asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill, by inserting in the third line of section one, after the figures "1862," the words, "and the Legislature of this State;"

On motion of Mr. Warner, The bill was then committed to the committee on the judiciary.

House joint resolution No. 5, entitled Joint resolution asking the general government for a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Mineral Range Railroad,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Rowe,
A. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Runyan,
G. W. Allen,	G. O. Jones,	Sanderson,
Bayley,	Keeler,	Schars,
Bartow,	Laing,	Seymour,
Beach,	Lapham,	Shier,
Bonine,	Lewis,	Slocum,
Brockway,	Look,	L. Smith,
Cady,	Luther,	W. T. Smith,
Camburn,	Mallery,	Stewart,
Carleton,	Maxwell,	Swift,
Chipman,	May,	Taylor,
Cobb,	McKay,	Thayer,
Colwell,	McKernan,	Thomas,
Copley,	Mickley,	Tupper,
Dort,	Miles,	Utley,
Dunlap,	Monroe,	Warner,
Dusseau,	Munger,	Welch,
Fellows,	Newcomb,	Wendell,
Fisher,	Nixon,	White,
Graham,	Nowland,	Willits,
Green,	O'Grady,	Williams,

Griswold,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,

Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,

Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
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Title and preamble agreed to.

House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution asking the Government of the United States to establish a national foundry at Marquette, in the Upper Peninsula of Michigan,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. O'Grady moved to commit the joint resolution to a select committee of three;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Swift asked the unanimous consent of the House to strike out the words "Grand Haven," and insert in lieu thereof the word "Springwells;"

Objected to by Mr. Griswold.

The resolution was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, By yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,

Mr. Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallery,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,

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Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,

Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,

Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
White,
Willits,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker, 84

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Mr. O'Grady.

Mr. Wendell, Mr. Williams, 8

The question being upon agreeing to the title and preamble,
Mr. Griswold moved to amend the title by striking out all
after the word "foundry," and insert in lieu thereof the words,
"at Grand Haven, on the eastern shore of Lake Michigan;"

Which was agreed to.
The title and preamble were then agreed to.

Mr. Pitts moved that the House adjourn;
Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,
The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called.
The House = quorum present.

House resumed business under the order of

Joint resolution No. 7, entitled
of the Saginaw river,
Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-
bers elect ing therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Runyan,	
A. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Schars,	
G. W. Allen,	Keeler,	Seymour,	
Bayley,	Laing,	Shier,	
Bartow,	Lapham,	L. Smith,	
Bonine,	Look,	Stewart,	
Brockway,	Luther,	Swift,	
Camburn,	Mallary,	Taylor,	
Carleton,	Maxwell,	Thayer,	
Chipman,	May,	Thomas,	
Cobb,	McKernan,	Tupper,	
Copley,	Mickley,	Warner,	
Dort,	Newcomb,	Welch,	
Dunlap,	Nixon,	Wendell,	
Dusseau,	Nowland,	White,	
Fisher,	O'Grady,	Willits,	
Graham,	Osborn,	Williams,	
Green,	Pack,	Winsor,	
Hawley,	Packard,	Woodman,	
Horton,	Pitts,	Woodruff,	
O. F. Howard,	Reed,	Yawkey,	
Jenness,	Rowe,	Speaker,	66
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Title agreed to.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to change the name of Truman W. Willey, of the town of Ray, in the county of Macomb, to Truman Gass,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Jenness,	Mr. Runyan,
A. Allen,	Jewell,	Sanderson,
G. W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Schars,
Bartow,	Keeler,	Seymour,
Beach,	Laing,	Shier,
Bonine,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
Brockway,	Lewis,	W. T. Smith,
Camburn,	Look,	Stewart,
Carleton,	Luther,	Swift,
Chipman,	Mallary,	Taylor,
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Thayer,
Colwell,	May,	Thomas,
Copley,	McKernan,	Tupper,

Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fisher,
Graham,
Green,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,

Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,

Warner,
Welch,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Mallery,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers,

Being under consideration,

Mr. Winsor moved that there be a call of the House;

Which motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CALL.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, and the following members were reported absent without leave:

Messrs. Beach, Cady, Griswold, G. C. Jones, Miles, Monroe, Munger, Sanderson, Utley and Wendell.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

Messrs. Beach and Miles were admitted within the bar, rendered excuse, and took their seats.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The Sergeant-at-Arms was dispatched after the absentees.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Sanderson at the bar of the House;

On motion of Mr. Luther,

Mr. Sanderson was admitted, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

Mr. Warner moved that all further proceedings under the call be dispensed with;

Which was not agreed to.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Utley at the bar of the House;

On motion of Mr. L. Smith,

Mr. Utley was admitted, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Munger at the bar of the House;

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

Mr. Munger was admitted, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Cady at the bar of the House;

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

Mr. Cady was admitted, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Monree at the bar of the House;

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

Mr. Monroe was admitted, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. G. C. Jones at the bar of the House;

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

Mr. G. C. Jones was admitted, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that all further proceedings under the call be dispensed with;

Which was not agreed to.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Wendell at the bar of the House;

On motion of Mr. O'Grady,

Mr. Wendell was admitted, rendered an excuse, and took his

seat.

Mr. O'Grady moved that all further proceedings under the call be dispensed with;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that all members of the "third House," at the bar of the House, be admitted to seats upon rendering proper excuses for their absence;

Which motion was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The bill, being House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers,

Was then read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Miles moved that the bill be laid on the table and ordered printed;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Carleton moved to reconsider the vote by which the House passed House bill No. 15, entitled

A bill to amend section 579 of the compiled laws, being section 87, of chapter 12, requiring overseers of highways to give bond in a sum double the amount of money that shall come into their hands;

Which motion

On motion of

The bill was Mr. Maxwell,
bridges. recommitted to the committee on roads and

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,
The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Green in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following joint resolution:

1. House joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution requesting our members in Congress to call the attention of the general government to the importance of

the construction of light-houses and fog-bells on the Straits of Michilimackinac;

2. House joint resolution No. 12, entitled

Joint resolution to release to James P. Wheeler the interest which the State of Michigan has in certain real estate;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled joint resolution:

3. House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution to secure the repeal or modification of the passport system;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bill:

4. House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to amend section 636 of the compiled laws, being section 8, of chapter 15, relative to the compensation of supervisors for taking the census and statistics of the State;

5. House bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 141, of the compiled laws, and the act amendatory thereof, approved March 7th, 1863, and to amend section 12, of said chapter;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bill:

6. House bill No. 27, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2, 8, 9, 10 and 13, of chapter 153, of the compiled laws;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed

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their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Stewart.

The first and second named joint resolutions were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The amendments made by the committee to the third named joint resolution were concurred in, *in gross*, and the joint resolution was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The fourth and fifth named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The amendments made to the sixth named bill were concurred in, *in gross*, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. J. H. Jones,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Wednesday, January 25, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Meyer.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Rowe and Swift.

Mr. Reed asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Rowe for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Q. C. Jones asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Swift until to-morrow.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Hawley: memorial of Henry B. Brown and others, in favor of the bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Chipman: petition of John Gore, and 66 others, for a change in the game law;

Referred to the select committee on game.

By Mr. Cobb: petition of H. G. Wells, Henry C. Briggs, F. Stimpson, and 30 others, of the township of Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo county, asking the passage of an act amending an act entitled an act to amend chapter 10, of the compiled laws, in relation to certain duties and compensation of county surveyors;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. W. T. Smith: petition of Chas. Betts, N. H. Soule, and 13 others, praying for an appropriation of \$20,000, for the purchase of Stanley's Gallery of aboriginal paintings, now in the Smithsonian Institute, at Washington, D. C., and that the same, when so purchased, be placed in the State University, at Ann Arbor;

Referred to the committee on education.

By Mr. Miles: petition of A. W. Clark, and 86 others, praying for a change in the location of about five miles of the Bay City and Port Huron State road, so as to conform to a route recently selected by the township and city of Port Huron as a highway, and for an appropriation of swamp lands for the opening of the same;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Jenness: petition of Mark Farley and 46 others, voters and tax-payers of the township of Inlay, Lapeer county, asking that the action of the supervisor and township clerk of said county, in issuing bonds of said township, may not be legalized without the question having first been submitted to the voters of said township at a regular meeting of said township;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Reed: petition of the town board of the township of Alaiedon, Ingham county, upon the subject of war bounties;

Also: petition of citizens of Delhi, Ingham county, upon the same subject;

Also: statement of the votes given in the township of Wheatfield, Ingham county, at an election held October 13, 1864, for the purpose of raising the bounties paid to volunteers by tax, and ask that the same be legalized by the Legislature;

Which were severally referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Wilcox: petition of L. Tabor, Richard Clegg, Josiah Boud, and 225 other citizens of Lenawee county, complaining of the Adrian and Bean Creek Plank Road Company as a public nuisance, declare the charter forfeited, and pray that the same be repealed;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Lewis: petition of J. North and 30 others, citizens of Tuscola county, for a State road from Tuscola, in said county, to Saginaw bay;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. White: petition of V. N. Lester and 30 others, tax payers of the township of Leighton, Allegan county, on the subject of the dog law;

Referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was recommended

A bill making it obligatory upon incorporated banks and private bankers to stamp counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute, entitled

A bill making it obligatory upon banks in this State to stamp counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills,

And recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations :

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Jackson, approved February 14, 1857,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on printing:

The committee on printing, to whom was referred the following resolution:

Resolved, That the reporters of the press, reporting the proceedings of this House, shall be furnished with a copy of all the documents furnished to members of this House,

Respectfully report that they had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend its adoption by the House, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. B. SLOCUM, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The resolution was adopted.

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By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to legalize the action of the township of St. Joseph, in Berrien county, in raising money by tax to pay volunteers under the call of the President of the United States, of July, 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it be referred to the committee on war bounties, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The recommendations of the committee were concurred in, and the bill was referred to the committee on war bounties.

By the committee on ways and means:

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Warren, in the county of Macomb;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Handy, in the county of Livingston;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Seneca, in the county of Lenawee,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the several bills back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that they do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The several bills were placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred House joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of land by Congress to endow female colleges in the several States,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to amend section 21, of chapter 63, being section 1819 of the compiled laws,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Chipman,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 3657 of the compiled laws, relating to the commencement of actions before justices of the peace,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to prohibit practicing attorneys and counselors at law from becoming bail or security in certain cases,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 6, of act No. 175, of the session laws of 1863, in relation to the Pentwater and Nawaygo State road,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to federal relations, have had the same under consideration, and beg leave to report:

That the Governor suggests that heretofore the Legislature of

the State have been accustomed, by joint resolutions, to express to the federal government their own views of duty, and also to indicate to that government the course desirable to be pursued by it. Concurring fully with this suggestion, we hereby re-affirm that we are more than ever convinced of the truth of the declaration of our fathers, that all men are created equal, and are entitled to certain inalienable rights, among which are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness; and that we regard the system of slavery, as it has existed in some of the States of this Union, as the cause of all our present national troubles; that slavery ever has been, and while it continues to exist, ever must be in antagonism to the genius and spirit of our institutions; and that, in the opinion of your committee, we can never have an unbroken Union and perpetual peace, until this curse of nations and blight of civilization shall be driven from all our borders. And that while some good men, of eminent ability, have feared that radical measures might endanger the unity which is so desirable among all the true friends of the government, and that something short of universal emancipation was the best policy of the government, and indispensable to the safety of the Union; yet your committee have been, and still are of the opinion, that it has been determined by a higher power, and by a superior intelligence than that possessed by mortals, that this rebellion will see no end, except upon the basis of universal, unconditional and perpetual freedom to all her people, whatever may be their color, or may have been their country. Your committee do not expect to see this matter ended until it shall be an admitted fact, recognized, not only by the government of the United States, but by the rebel States, and indelibly impressed upon the public heart of the civilized nations of the world, that there cannot be found any public act of the government, or any decision of the judicial tribunals thereof, which shall recognize on the one hand the relation of master, or on the other hand the relation of slave, in the sense of absolute ownership, by the master, or of unconditional submission by the slave, within any portion of the United States. The rebellion is now staggering

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under the heavy blows being administered by Grant, Sherman, Sheridan and Thomas, and the noble men who follow their standards on the land; and Farragut and Porter, with the strong armed tars that have trod the gun-decks and manned the turrets on the water.

Our hearts rejoice when we hear of the fall of Atlanta, Savannah, or of Fort Fisher, because we think that thereby peace is brought nearer to us. But your committee believe that peace will be not only near, but absolutely at our doors, when, by the action of the general government, the Union army, or the rebels themselves, slavery is forever destroyed.

It is a strange but at the same time a significant phenomenon in the history of the world, to see the leaders of an insurrection and rebellion calling upon the cause of that rebellion to save the life of the same. And thus it is now. The rebel leaders, driven to very madness by their own huge crimes, have commenced to advocate the putting of arms into the hands of slaves, thus making doubly sure the destruction of their own divine institution, for which they began the war. We are of the opinion that the hand of God is so shaping the affairs of the rebels, that with their own hands they shall bring to destruction the very thing which they meant to maintain, and which they designed to make the imperishable corner stone of their new confederacy. For, we ask, what will the rebels want of their confederacy when the black foundation on which it was to rest, as on the mountain granite, is by the millstone of their own stubbornness, ground to powder under their feet?

Your committee, then, are for freeing at once all slaves by the amendment of the constitution of the United States to that effect.

Had the rebels behaved themselves like good citizens, and been true to the government of our fathers, then they had from all the people of all the loyal States, an unqualified guaranty of nonintervention in regard to their domestic institutions. But what the government may lawfully do, with its own law-abiding and loyal citizens, in time of peace, and what

it may lawfully do in time of war with rebels who have thrown off their allegiance to the government, and become open and avowed enemies of that government, is quite another thing. The humblest American citizen, while he obeys the laws, has rights which the whole United States government cannot rob him of, and no man, however great or powerful, may make the attempt but at his own peril. But let the same individual commit theft, arson, murder or treason, and then may he be arrested, deprived of his liberty, and even of his life. Your committee are therefore of the opinion that the greater includes the less, and that if it be necessary in order to compel obedience to laws, to take all the property of all the rebels, that it is not only the privilege but the duty of the government to take the same.

Let, then, rebel grain and beef be used to feed the Union army, rebel mules to draw Union baggage, rebel horses to mount Union cavalry and artillery. Nay, more, let the slaves even be used to dig Union trenches and build Union roads. Nay, more still, let half a million of those sable Unionists be enlisted into the ranks of the Union army to aid in conquering and holding the rich plains and fertile bottom lands of the rebel States, and that as a reward for their patriotism and fidelity to the government, let them and their descendants be forever free. Therefore,

1. *Resolved*, (the Senate concurring,) That we hereby reaffirm our declaration of unswerving devotion to the government of the United States, and we hereby declare, that while our hearts are made sad by the terrible ravages of war, that our judgments fully approve of the vigorous prosecution thereof, for the life of the nation, until there shall be an unqualified submission to the authority of the government.

2. *Resolved*, That we fully endorse the emancipation proclamation of the President, and as face answers to face in a glass, so we hereby reflect back to him his own noble words as found in his last message, thus: "I shall not attempt to modify or retract the emancipation proclamation, nor shall I return to

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Report accepted and committee discharged.

The resolution accompanying the report was laid on the table for one day, under the rules.

By the committee on war bounties:

The committee on war bounties, to whom have been referred memorials from the board of supervisors of the counties of Allegan, Branch, Eaton, Hillsdale, and Lenawee; and from the township boards of Athens, Burlington, Exeter, Eaton Rapids, Fairfield, Girard, Lawrence, Porter, Richland, Rives, Southfield, Washington, Westphalia, West Bloomfield, Wheatland and Wright; and petitions from the citizens and tax payers of Batavia, Bainbridge, Brady, Climax, Carmel, Chesaning, Dallas, Eaton, Forest, Gun Plains, Hamtramck, Marshall, Matteson, Macomb, Martin, Marathon, Newton, Napoleon, Oregon, Palmyra, Redford, Riley, Ross, Sparta, St. Joseph, Springwells, and Wauertown, all asking for the legalization of the action of their respective boards and localities, regarding the payment of bounties to volunteers, have examined and considered said memorials and petitions, and have directed me to report the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill to legalize the action of certain townships, cities and counties, in raising bounties for volunteers,

For the consideration and action of the House, recommending that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

P. DEAN WARNER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 24, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

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townships of Sidney, Ferris, Douglass and Evergreen, of Montcalm county, to issue bonds;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Jewell moved to take from the table the following resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That this House have a recess for one week, commencing Thursday morning, January 26th;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Jewell then offered the following as a substitute therefor:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That this Legislature have a recess, commencing Wednesday noon, February 1st, and continuing until Thursday, 10 o'clock, the following week;

On motion of Mr. Chipman,

The resolution and substitute were laid on the table.

Mr. Pack moved that the committee of the whole be discharged from the from the further consideration of House bill No 37, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sanilac, in the county of Sanilac, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of the taxes in said township;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Pack,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. G. C. Jones moved to take from the table Senate bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to allow increased rates of fare for passengers on railroads in the Upper Peninsula, for a limited period;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones,

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. McKernan gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize the county of L'Anse.

Mr. Yawkey gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled an act disposing of certain grants of lands made to the State of Michigan for railroad purposes, approved June 3d, 1856, approved February, 1857, so as to allow of the construction of the railroad from Pere Marquette to Flint, with a strap rail between Saginaw and Muskegon rivers.

Mr. Cobb offered the following:

Whereas, It is generally understood by many of the members in this House that we have a serious epidemic prevailing in our midst, causing many of our seats to become vacant;

And whereas, The disease has become so obstinate in its character, that many are inclined to think it is of a chronic nature; therefore,

Resolved, That the Speaker be requested to appoint a committee of three to investigate the whole subject, and see if the "direful malady" cannot be checked immediately;

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The resolution was laid on the table

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to incorporate the city of Salina, in Saginaw county.

Mr. Welch gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands by means of State roads and ditches, from Muir, in Ionia county, to the north line of Isabella county.

Mr. Maxwell offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on printing be instructed to cause all laws passed by the present Legislature, which are ordered to take immediate effect, to be published at once in some newspaper published in Lansing, and that they secure

five hundred copies of such paper for the use of the members of this House.

On motion of Mr. Chipman,

The resolution was referred to the committee on printing.

Mr. L. Smith, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State road in Gratiot county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Utley, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill changing the name of the township of Leonard, in the county of Mecosta, to that of Big Rapids.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Lewis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of certain taxes in the township of Dayton, Tuscola county, and to grant an extension of time therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. G. W. Allen, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the 2d ward of the city of Grand Rapids, in the county of Kent, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Nixon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the improvement of the Detroit and Grand River road, approved March 20, 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Nixon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the improvement of a certain road in the counties of Eaton and Lapeer, approved March 19, 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Maxwell, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the sheriffs of certain counties to serve process issued by justices of the peace.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Chipman, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill relative to free schools in the city of Detroit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Chipman, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the levying and collecting of taxes for the maintenance of free schools in the city of Detroit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 3670, of compiled laws of 1857, in relation to justices' courts.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Nowland, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the electors of the townships of Huron, Brownstown, Romulus, Monguagon and Taylor, in the county of Wayne, and to provide for raising by tax, on the taxable property of such townships respectively, such sums of money as shall be authorized to be raised by the electors thereof at any general or special election duly and legally

called in said townships respectively, for the purpose of voting upon the question of raising by tax the amount of principal and interest of the indebtedness incurred in filling their quotas of men in the call of the President, of July, A. D. 1864, for 500,000.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. McKernan, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to organize the township of Sibley, in Keweenaw county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to amend section 636, of the compiled laws, being section 8, of chapter 15, relative to the compensation of supervisors for taking the census and statistics of the State,

Being under consideration,

Mr. Mallery asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the same by inserting the following, to stand as section one:

Sec. 1. *The People of the State of Michigan enact*, That section 636 of the compiled laws, being section 8, of chapter 15, be amended so as to read as follows:

Mr. Monroe asked the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill so as to make the compensation one dollar per one hundred for the first fifteen hundred names, and seventy-five cents for each subsequent one hundred;

Objected to by Mr. Mallery.

On motion of Mr. Haynes,

The bill was laid on the table.

House bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 141, of the compiled laws, and the act amendatory thereof, approved March 7th, 1863, and to amend section 12, of said chapter,

read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Allen,	Mr. Jenness,	Mr. Runyan,	
Allen,	Jewell,	Sanderson,	
W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Schars,	
Wiley,	G. O. Jones,	Seymour,	
Wright,	Keeler,	Shier,	
Wright,	Landon,	Slocum,	
Wright,	Lapham,	L. Smith,	
Wright,	Lewis,	W. T. Smith,	
Wright,	Look,	Stewart,	
Wright,	Luther,	Taylor,	
Wright,	Mallory,	Thayer,	
Wright,	May,	Thomas,	
Wright,	McKay,	Tupper,	
Wright,	McKernan,	Utley,	
Wright,	Mickley,	Van Vleet,	
Wright,	Miles,	Warner,	
Wright,	Monroe,	Welch,	
Wright,	Munger,	Wendell,	
Wright,	Newcomb,	White,	
Wright,	Nixon,	Wilcox,	
Wright,	Nowland,	Willits,	
Wright,	O'Grady,	Winsor,	
Wright,	Osborn,	Woodman,	
Wright,	Pack,	Woodruff,	
Wright,	Packard,	Woodward,	
Wright,	Phillips,	Woodworth,	
Wright,	Pitts,	Yawkey,	
Wright,	Reed,	Speaker,	84
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agreed to.

Wright moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate

his motion did not prevail.

The joint resolution No. 12, entitled

resolution to release to James P. Wheeler the interest

the State of Michigan has in certain real estate,

read a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-

bers voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. O. F. Howard,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	Jenness,	Runyan,
G. W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Sanderson,
Bayley,	G. C. Jones,	Schars,
Bartow,	Keeler,	Seymour,
Beach,	Landon,	Shier,
Bonine,	Lapham,	Slocum,
Brockway,	Lewis,	L. Smith,
Cady,	Look,	W. T. Smith,
Camburn,	Luther,	Stewart,
Carleton,	Mallory,	Taylor,
Chipman,	Maxwell,	Thayer,
Cobb,	May,	Thomas,
Colwell,	McKay,	Tupper,
Copley,	McKernan,	Uley,
Dort,	Mickley,	Van Vleet,
Dunlap,	Miles,	Warner,
Dussean,	Monroe,	Welch,
Fellows,	Munger,	Wendell,
Fisher,	Newcomb,	White,
Forbes,	Nixon,	Wilcox,
Graham,	Nowland,	Willits,
Green,	O'Grady,	Woodruff,
Griswold,	Osborn,	Woodward,
Hawley,	Pack,	Woodworth,
Haynes,	Packard,	Yawkey,
Horton,	Phillips,	Speaker,
M. D. Howard,	Pitts,	83

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Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Winsor,	2
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Title agreed to.

House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution to secure the repeal or modification of the passport system,

Was read a third time, and a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, was not passed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Hawley,	Mr. Newcomb,
A. Allen,	Horton,	O'Grady,
Bayley,	G. C. Jones,	Packard,
Bartow,	Laing,	Phillips,

Rockway,	Landon,	Pitts,
Shipman,	Lapham,	Reed,
Swell,	Lewis,	Schars,
Turt,	Look,	Shier,
Whean,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,
Wolfs,	McKernan,	Warner,
Yrbee,	Mickley,	Welch,
Zeeu,	Miles,	Wendell,
Zisweld,	Munger,	.

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W. Allen,	Mr. Luther,	Mr. Taylor,
Arch,	Maxwell,	Thayer,
Baine,	May,	Thomas,
By,	McKay,	Tupper,
Carburn,	Monroe,	Uley,
Carleton,	Nixon,	White,
Chubb,	Nowland,	Wilcox,
Copley,	Osborn,	Willits,
Culap,	Pack,	Williams,
Edham,	Runyan,	Wineor,
Eyres,	Sanderson,	Woodman,
D. Howard,	Seymour,	Woodruff,
F. Howard,	Slocum,	Woodward,
Gunniss,	L. Smith,	Woodworth,
H. Well,	W. T. Smith,	Yawkey,
H. Jones,	Stewart,	Speaker,
Reeler,		

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House bill No. 27, entitled

to amend sections 2, 8, 9, 10 and 18, of chapter 153, of compiled laws,

read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote passage thereof,

motion of Mr. Monroe,

bill was laid on the table.

House joint resolution No. 10, entitled

at resolution requesting our members in Congress to call attention of the general government to the importance of construction of light houses and fog bells on the straits of Mackinac,

read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,

Mr. Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Laing,
Laudon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallory,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,

Mr. Reed,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Handy, in the county of Livingston, for the year A. D. 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,

Mr. Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Laing,

Mr. Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
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man,	Maxwell,	Thomas,	
,	May,	Tupper,	
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ey,	McKernan,	Warner,	
	Mickley,	Welch,	
ap,	Miles,	Wendell,	
ean,	Monroe,	White,	
wa,	Munger,	Wilcox,	
er,	Newcomb,	Willits,	
ee,	Nixon,	Williams,	
am,	Nowland,	Winsor,	
n,	O'Grady,	Woodman,	
wold,	Osborn,	Woodruff,	
ley,	Pack,	Woodward,	
ues,	Packard,	Woodworth,	
on,	Phillips,	Yawkey,	
Howard,	Pitts,	Speaker,	
ess,	Reed,		86.
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ote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was
to take immediate effect.

manuscript bill, entitled

to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the

of Warren, in the county of Macomb,

read a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-

t voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

en,	Mr. Jenness,	Mr. Reed,
llen,	Jewell,	Ruycan,
V. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Sauderson,
ley,	G. O. Jones,	Schars,
ow,	Keeler,	Seymour,
sh,	Laing,	Shier,
ine,	Landon,	Slocum,
kway,	Lapham,	L. Smith,

Cady,	Lewis,	W. T. Smith,
Camburn,	Look,	Stewart,
Carleton,	Luther,	Taylor,
Chipman,	Mallary,	Thayer,
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Thomas,
Colwell,	May,	Tupper,
Copley,	McKay,	Van Vleet,
Dort,	McKernan,	Warner,
Dunlap,	Mickley,	Welch,
Dussean,	Miles,	Wendell,
Fellows,	Monroe,	White,
Fisher,	Munger,	Wilcox,
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Willits,
Graham,	Nixon,	Williams,
Green,	Nowland,	Winsor,
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Woodman,
Hawley,	Osborn,	Wooduff,
Haynes,	Pack,	Woodward,
Horton,	Packard,	Woodworth,
M. D. Howard,	Phillips,	Yawkey,
O. F. Howard	Pitts,	Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Green,

By a vote of two thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Seneca, in the county of Lenawee, for the year 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Ruuyan,
G. W. Allen,	G. O. Jones,	Sanderson,
Bayley,	Keeler,	Schar,
Bartow,	Laing,	Seymour,
Beach,	Landon,	Shier,
Bouine,	Lapham,	Slocum,
Brockway,	Lewis,	L. Smith,
Cady,	Look,	W. T. Smith,
Camburn,	Luther,	Stewart,

Allen,	Mallery,	Taylor,	
Coman,	Maxwell,	Thayer,	
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well,	McKay,	Tupper,	
ley,	McKernan,	Van Vleet,	
t,	Nickley,	Warner,	
lap,	Miles,	Welch,	
seau,	Monroe,	Wendell,	
er,	Munger,	White,	
bes,	Newcomb,	Wilcox,	
ham,	Nixon,	Willits,	
en,	Nowland,	Winsor,	
swold,	O'Grady,	Woodman,	
vley,	Osborn,	Woodruff,	
nes,	Pack,	Woodward,	
ton,	Packard,	Woodworth,	
J. Howard,	Phillips,	Yawkey,	
ness,	Pitts,	Speaker,	84
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otion of Mr. Green,

vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was
to take immediate effect.

e bill No. 3, entitled

to amend section 21, of chapter 63, being section 1819
compiled laws,

read a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-
not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

	YEAS.	
ken,	Mr. Jenness,	Mr. Reed,
Allen,	Jewell,	Runyan,
W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Sanderson,
ley,	G. C. Jones,	Scharr,
ow,	Keeler,	Seymour,
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ckway,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
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burn,	Look,	Taylor,
leton,	Luther,	Thayer,
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well,	May,	Uley,
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Dort,	Mickley,	Warner,
Dunlap,	Miles,	Welch,
Durseau,	Mouroe,	Wendell,
Fisher,	Munger,	White,
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Wilcox,
Graham,	Nixon,	Willits,
Green,	Nowland,	Williams,
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Woodman,
Hawley,	Osborn,	Woodruff,
Haynes,	Pack,	Woodward,
Horton,	Packard,	Woodworth,
M. D. Howard,	Phillips,	Yawkey,
O. F. Howard,	Pitts,	Speaker, 84

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Mr. McKernan, Mr. Stewart, 2

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 40, entitled

A bill to authorize fractional school district number three, of the townships of Sidney, Evergreen, Ferris and Douglass, in the county of Montcalm, to issue bonds,

Being under consideration,

Mr. Pitts asked the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by striking out the words "there assembled," in the sixth line of section one;

Objected to by Mr. Williams.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Runyan,
G. W. Allen,	G. C. Jones,	Sanderson,
Bayley,	Kepler,	Schairs,
Bartow,	Laing,	Seymour,
Beach,	Landon,	Slocum,
Bonine,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
Brockway,	Lewis,	W. T. Smith,
Cady,	Look,	Stewart,

mburn,	Luther,	Taylor,
arleton,	Mallary,	Thayer,
ipman,	Maxwell,	Thomas,
bb,	May,	Tupper,
well,	McKay,	Utley,
pley,	McKernan,	Van Vleet,
rt,	Mickley,	Warner,
olap,	Miles,	Wendell,
asean,	Monroe,	White,
her,	Munger,	Wilcox,
rbes,	Newcomb,	Willits,
aham,	Nixon,	Williams,
een,	Nowland,	Woodman,
awold,	O'Grady,	Woodruff,
wley,	Oshorn,	Woodward,
ynes,	Pack,	Woodworth,
rton,	Packard,	Yawkey,
D. Howard,	Phillips,	Speaker,
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agreed to.

otion of Mr. A. Allen,

vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was
to take immediate effect.

e bill No. 87, entitled,

l to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sanilac, in
nty of Sanilac, for the year 1864, and to extend the time
collection of the taxes of said township,

read a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-
ot voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

kin,	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Reed,
Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Runyan,
W. Allen,	G. C. Jones,	Sanderson,
ley,	Keeler,	Schars,
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ckway,	Lewis,	L. Smith,
ty,	Look,	W. T. Smith,
mburn,	Luther,	Stewart,
leton,	Mallary,	Taylor,

Chipman,	Maxwell,	Thayer,	
Cobb,	May,	Thomas,	
Colwell,	McKay,	Tupper,	
Copley,	McKernan,	Uley,	
Dort,	Mickley,	Van Vleet,	
Dunlap,	Miles,	Warner,	
Dusseau,	Monroe,	Welch,	
Fisher,	Munger,	Weudell,	
Forbes,	Newcomb,	White,	
Graham,	Nixon,	Wilcox,	
Green,	Nowland,	Willits,	
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Williams,	
Hawley,	Osborn,	Woodman,	
Haynes,	Pack,	Woodruff,	
Horton,	Packard,	Woodward,	
M. D. Howard,	Phillips,	Yawkey,	
Jenness,	Pitte,	Speaker,	24
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. M. D. Howard gave notice that he would, on to-morrow, move to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution to secure the repeal or modification of the passport system.

Mr. Luther moved that the House adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Brockway moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The House adjourned until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved to take from the table House bill
41, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers;

Which motion prevailed.

The bill having been read a third time, the motion was upon
a final passage.

Mr. Horton moved that the bill be referred to the committee
of the whole, and placed on the general order;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Griswold asked and obtained the unanimous consent of
the House to amend the bill by inserting after the word "or,"
in the ninth line of section 2, the words "if not enrolled;"
also, to amend section 1 of the bill by inserting the word
"two," between the words "the" and "last," and to add the
letter "s" after the word "sum," in the same line; also, by in-
serting the words, "if not enlisted," after the word "or," in the
fifteenth line of the same section.

Mr. Look asked the unanimous consent of the House to
amend section 1 of the bill by striking out the word "here-
in," in the third line; also, by inserting after the word "en-
rolled," in the same line, the words "on any future call of the
President of the United States."

Which was agreed to by Mr. Welch.

Mr. Horton asked the unanimous consent of the House to
amend section 1 of the bill, by striking out of the 15th line the
words "19th day of December, A. D. 1864," and inserting in
thereof the words "23d day of January, 1865;"

Which was agreed to by Mr. Williams.

The question being upon the passage of the bill, it was not
passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor,
yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,
Beach,
Bonine, 41

Mr. Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,

Mr. Seymour,
Shier,
L. Smith,

Brockway,
 Camburn,
 Carleton,
 Dunlap,
 Forbes,
 Graham,
 Griswold,
 Haynes,
 M. D. Howard,
 Jewell,
 J. H. Jones,
 G. C. Jones,
 Keeler,
 Laing,

Luther,
 Maxwell,
 McKay,
 McKernan,
 Monroe,
 Munger,
 Nixon,
 O'Grady,
 Packard,
 Phillips,
 Reed,
 Runyan,
 Sanderson,

W. T. Smith,
 Taylor,
 Thayer,
 Utley,
 Van Vleet,
 Wendell,
 White,
 Williams,
 Woodman,
 Woodruff,
 Woodworth,
 Yawkey,
 Speaker,

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NAYS

Mr. A. Allen,
 Bayley,
 Bartow,
 Cady,
 Chipman,
 Cobb,
 Colwell,
 Copley,
 Dort,
 Dussean,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Green,

Mr. Hawley,
 Horton,
 O. F. Howard,
 Jenness,
 Look,
 Mallery,
 May,
 Mickley,
 Miles,
 Newcomb,
 Nowland,
 Osborn,

Mr. Pack,
 Pitts,
 Schars,
 Slocum,
 Stewart,
 Thomas,
 Tupper,
 Warner,
 Welch,
 Wilcox,
 Willits,
 Woodward,

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Mr. Maxwell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend certain sections of an act entitled "An act to repeal chapter 122, of revised statutes of 1846, and to provide for the collection of duties against water craft," approved Feb. 5, 1864.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring.) That any messenger boy of this Legislature, who shall hereafter be caught sliding down the stair railing, shall be forthwith discharged from his position as such messenger boy;

Mr. Warner offered the following as a substitute therefor:

Resolved, That the Speaker of this House be, and he is hereby

authorized to discharge from service, any messenger boys, who may in his judgment be guilty of such misconduct as to merit such discharge;

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Chipman moved to refer the resolution to the committee on "game;"

Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Horton,

The resolution was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Miles,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Thursday, January 26, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hickox.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Jewell, Swift, Utley and Morton.

Mr. Willits asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Jewell until Wednesday next.

Mr. Pitts asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Morton, for an indefinite time.

Mr. G. C. Jones asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Swift, for an indefinite time.

Mr. L. Smith asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Utley, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Woodruff: petition of W. L. George and 75 others, of Bainbridge, praying that the vote of said township to raise money to pay bounties to volunteers to fill the quota of said township, under the call of the President in 1864, for 500,000 men, be declared legal;

Referred to the committee on war bounties

By Mr. Munger: petition of E. W. Mead and 25 others, ask-

ing for the laying out and establishing of the Ovid and St. Charles State road;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Munger: remonstrance of Richard Welling and 18 others, against legalizing the bounty vote of the township of Dallas, Clinton county;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Dort: petition of D. B. Brown and 26 other citizens of the township of Dearborn, in the county of Wayne, praying for the passage of a uniform State bounty;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Fellows: petition of Orin Snow, John Lusk, Thomas Buckhart and 186 others, of the township of Oshtemo, Kalamazoo county, asking the passage of an act authorizing, upon a vote of said township, the raising of a tax to pay volunteers, and to refund money advanced for that purpose;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Haynes: petition of Harvey Warner and 75 others, citizens and tax-payers of the township of Coldwater, Branch county, asking that the action of the people of said township, in paying bounties to volunteers under the last call of the President, may be legalized;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Forbes: petition of A. S. Doty and 99 other citizens of Manchester, Washtenaw county, asking for power to raise certain moneys as bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Bartow: petition of citizens of Eagle, Clinton county, to legalize the vote to raise bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. L. Smith: petition of L. J. Cassada and 45 others, of Gratiot county, praying for local bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. May: petition of John F. Stevens and 27 others, tax-payers of the township of Greenfield, praying for a law to legalize the levying and collecting of a tax upon the taxable

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A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing a State road in the county of Gratiot,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the improvement of the Lansing and Bellevue road, approved March 19, 1863,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the improvement of the Detroit and Grand River road, approved March 20, 1863,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.
The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.
By the committee on roads and bridges:
The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred a bill to provide for the laying out and establishing of a State road, to be known as the Ovid and St. Charles State road, and appropriating certain swamp lands for constructing the same, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.
The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.
By the committee on ways and means:
The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred a bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 818, of the compiled laws, as amended by an act approved January 1859, and an act approved March 18, 1868, relative to the county and township taxes, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.
The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.
By the committee on ways and means:
The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred a bill to amend the time for the collection of taxes in the city of Grand Rapids, in the county of

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. G. W. Allen,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. G. W. Allen,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section two, of act No. 241, of the session laws of 1863, entitled an act to provide for the collection of State and county taxes in the city of Detroit,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on agriculture and manufactures:

The committee on agriculture and manufactures, to whom was referred

A bill granting the boards of supervisors authority to enact laws prohibiting animals from running at large in the public highways,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not

and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

GEO. LUTHER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Landon,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on supplies and expenditures:

The committee on supplies, to whom was referred the propriety of lighting this Hall with chandeliers, and report to this House the expense, have had the same under consideration, and instructed their chairman to report as follows, to-wit:

One six light burner,.....	\$75 00
Four four-light burners,.....	100 00
Three three light burners,.....	60 00
Side-lights,.....	10 00
Plumbing with duplicate chimneys.	
Tools, and expense of putting up,.....	5 00

Making a total of,.....\$250 00

And your committee further report, that in their judgment,

Hall will be much better lighted, and cost three dollars per night less than is.

Therefore, recommend that this House on supplies to procure said lamps, estimated by them at the earliest practi-

J. B. WELCH, *Chairman.*

committee discharged.

And,

of the committee were concurred in.

banks and incorporations:

banks and incorporations, to whom was re-

titled

act entitled an act to incorporate the

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

A bill to enlarge the boundary of the township of Vassar, in the county of Tuscola,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

● WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

A bill changing the name of the township of Leonard, in the county of Mecosta, to that of Big Rapids,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

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By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred the petition of A. C. Davis and others, for the creation of new townships in the county of Keweenaw,

Respectfully report that they had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying bills, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Clifton;

Also,

A bill to organize the township of Lincoln;

Also,

A bill to organize the township of Grant;

And recommend that the bills do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The several bills were read a first and second time by their titles, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred the petition of Edwin Thayer, and 36 other citizens of Spring Lake, Ottawa county, praying for the passage of an act to provide for the election of township librarians at the annual township meeting,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The petition was laid on the table.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Doughion county to draw certain swamp land money, and to expend the same on the L'Anse Bay and State Line State road, and for other purposes,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

A bill to organize the township of Sibley, in Keweenaw county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to encourage immigration,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

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Report accepted and
the bill was referred
on the general
by the committee
the committee on
No. 13, being

A bill to amend an
act for the appropri-
ation of money for the
Keweenaw and Keweenaw
State road," and

Respectfully report
for consideration, and have
the House, without
debate, and ask to be dis-
posed of the subject.

Report accepted and
The bill was referred
on the general

MOTION

Mr. Welch gave
notice and ask leave to in-
troduce A bill to appropri-
ate money for the
townships of Dan-
vers Turnpike.

Mr. Seymour gave
notice and leave to introduce
A joint resolution
relating to books.

Mr. Woodward moved
and refused to pass
A bill to provide for
Which motion prevailed
Motion of Mr. Br-
was laid on

Mr. Bartow gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the legal voters of Westphalia, Clinton county, to refund by tax, money raised to pay bounties to volunteers.

Mr. Copley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to enlarge the boundaries of the village of Dowagiac;
Also,

A bill to define the boundaries and powers of fractional school district No. 7, in the township of Silver Creek, Cass county.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass House joint resolution No. 9, entitled
Joint resolution to secure the repeal or modification of the passport system;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Chipman,

The joint resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Horton offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on printing be instructed to revise the index to the State Constitution, in the new manual, and page the same;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Gies, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act authorizing the payment of bounties to volunteers in the service of the United States, approved February 5th, 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. May, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the township board of the township of Hamtramck, in Wayne county, to raise money by tax or by loan, and the issue of bonds to reimburse persons who ad-

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vanced moneys to pay bounties to fill the quota of said town-
ship on the draft for July, 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and re-
ferred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. L. Smith, previous notice having been given, and leave
being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp
lands, by means of State roads and ditches.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and re-
ferred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. White, unanimous consent being given, introduced
A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the

township of Allegan, Allegan county.
The bill was read a first and time by its title, and referred to
the committee on ways and means.

Mr. O'Grady, previous notice having been given, and leave
being granted, introduced

A bill to locate, establish and erect a branch of the State
prison in the Upper Peninsula.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and re-
ferred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Bartow, previous notice having been given, and leave
being granted, introduced

A bill granting forty acres of swamp land to John Mauren,
of Clinton county, Michigan, and authorizing the Commissioner
of the State Land Office to issue deed.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and re-
ferred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Bond, previous notice having been given, and leave be-
ing granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend chapter 150
of the revised statutes of 1846, being chapter 175 of the com-
piled laws, entitled, "of the fees of certain officers in civil
cases," and enacted March 20,
1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Welch, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp-lands, by means of State roads and ditches, from Muir, in Ionia county, to the north line of Isabella county," approved February 5, 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. M. D. Howard, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the township of Holland, and other townships in the counties of Ottawa and Allegan, to make loans and levy taxes for the improvement of the harbor at the mouth of North Black river, in Ottawa county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to incorporate the city of Salina.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the second, third and fourth wards of the city of Grand Rapids, in the county of Kent,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,

Mr. Horton,
M. D. Howard,
Jenness,
J. H. Jones

Mr. Pitts,
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Runyan,
Sanderson,

all,	G. O. Jones,	Scharz,
artow,	Keeler,	Seymour,
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rockway,	Lewis,	W. T. Smith,
ady,	Look,	Stewart,
amburn,	Lothar,	Taylor,
arleton,	Mallary,	Thayer,
hipman,	Maxwell,	Thomas,
obb,	May,	Tupper,
olwell,	McKay,	Van Vleet,
opley,	McKernan,	Warner,
ort,	Mickley,	Wendell,
unlap,	Miles,	White,
asseau,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
ellows,	Munger,	Willits,
isher,	Newcomb,	Williams,
orbes,	Nixon,	Winsor,
ies,	Nowland,	Woodman,
raham,	O'Grady,	Woodruff,
reen,	Osborn,	Woodward,
riswold,	Pack,	Woodworth,
aire,	Packard,	Yawkey,
awley,	Phillips,	Speaker,
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agreed to.

motion of Mr. Green,

a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill
ordered to take immediate effect.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

consideration of the following resolutions:

(the Senate concurring,) That we hereby re-
aration of unswerving devotion to the govern-
ited States, and we hereby declare, that while
made sad by the terrible ravages of war, that
fully approve of the vigorous prosecution thereof,
the nation, until there shall be an unqualified
he authority of the government.

That we fully endorse the emancipation procla-

mation of the President, and as face answers to face in a glass, so we hereby reflect back to him his own noble words as found in his last message, thus: "I shall not attempt to modify or retract the emancipation proclamation, nor shall I return to slavery any person who is free by the terms of that proclamation or by any acts of Congress. If the people should, by whatever mode or means, make it an executive duty to re-enslave such person, another, and not I, must be the instrument to perform it."

3. *Resolved*, That once again we tender our heartfelt thanks to our able officers and brave men who have upheld our standard, both on land and sea, and we assure them of our deepest sympathy, and our moral and material support, while battling for the integrity of the nation and the support of the government.

4. *Resolved*, That we have no language fully to express our abhorrence of the rebel barbarities, practiced by them, upon our noble men who are held as prisoners in their hands; and we hereby urge upon the President to use more efficient means to secure for these sufferers the treatment due, according to the law of nations, to prisoners of war, even though it should require him to resort to retaliation upon rebel prisoners in our hands, in order to secure that object.

5. *Resolved*, That we fully approve of the use, by the government, of every means known to civilized warfare (the use of colored troops not excepted) for the complete overthrow of the rebellion, and ardently hope for the day when we shall be both a government without a king and a republic without a slave.

6. *Resolved*, That our Senators in Congress are instructed and our Representatives requested, to use their best efforts to secure an amendment of the Constitution of the United States, so as forever to prohibit slavery or involuntary servitude in all the States, territories, and places therein, except as a punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted.

On motion of Mr. Chipman,

The resolutions were referred to the committee of the whole, and made the special order for Tuesday next.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,
The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Monroe in the chair.
After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman made the following report:
The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 17, entitled
A bill to provide temporary additional compensation to the officers of the State Prison, for the year ending December 1st, 1865, and the year commencing December 1st, 1866;
The committee have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed the chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

DARIUS MONROE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,
The amendments made to the bill, were concurred in, in gross, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Welch,
The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.
Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Mallary asked the unanimous consent of the House to move to take from the table House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to amend section 638 of the compiled laws, being section 8, of chapter 16, relative to the compensation of supervisors for taking the census and statistics of the State;
Objected to by Mr. Monroe.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 25, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to protect employers of emigrant labor, contracted under the provisions of an act of Congress, approved July 4, 1864,

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 25, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 30, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sylvan, in the county of Washtenaw, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of said taxes;

2. Senate bill No. 33, entitled

A bill to amend sections 13 and 24, of act No. 216, of the session laws of 1861, being "An act to provide for the draining of swamps, marshes, and other low lands," approved March 15th, 1861;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators

been ordered to take immediate effect, and in all of which concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means. The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands. The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,

Lansing, January 25, 1865. }

The Speaker of the House of Representatives:

I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the members and officers of the Legislature, for the year 1865;

which the Senate has amended as follows: "Amend section 1, by striking out all after the word 'Secretary,' in the fourth line, down to and including the word 'route,' in line thirteen, and insert: 'of the Senate and the Clerk of the House of Representatives, shall be three dollars and fifty cents a day each, for actual attendance during the session, and ten cents for every mile actually traveled in going to and returning from the place of meeting, by the usually traveled route.'

"The compensation of the Assistant Secretary of the Senate, the Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk, and Sergeant-at-Arms of the Senate, and their authorized Assistants, and of the Assistant Clerk, and the Engrossing and Enrolling Clerk and Sergeant-at-Arms of the House of Representatives, and their authorized Assistants, shall be three dollars and fifty cents a day each, for actual attendance. The compensation of the clerks employed, with the consent of the Senate or House of Representatives, by any of the standing or special committees of either of said Houses, shall be three dollars for every day in

actual attendance." Also, by amending section 2, line 16, by inserting the words, "and fifty cents," after the word "dollar," where it first occurs in the line;

In the passage of which, as amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect, by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. VanVleet moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bond,
Colwell,
Dort,
Hawley,
Horton,
Luther,

Mr. May,
McKernan,
Munger,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Pitts,

Mr. Sanderson,
Welch,
Wendell,
Woodruff,
Yawkey,

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NAYS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,

Mr. Griawold,
Hawley,
Haynes,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Mallary,
McKay,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
Osborn,
Packard,
Philips,

Mr. Reed,
Runyan,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodward,
Speaker,

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Mr. Brockway asked the unanimous consent of the House to
to take from the table House bill No. 44, entitled
A bill to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers;
Objected to by Mr. Monroe.

GENERAL ORDER

On motion of Mr. Warner,
The House went into committee of the whole, on the general
order,

Mr. Dort in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and
through the chairman, made the following report:
The committee of the whole have had under consideration
the following entitled bills:

1. Senate bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to authorize the
several townships in any of the counties on the line of the
Grand Rapids and Indiana railroad to aid in the construction of
a road," approved February 5th, 1864;

2. Senate bill No. 1, entitled

A bill to amend section four, of chapter eighty-six, of the re-
vised statutes, being section three thousand three hundred and
two of the compiled laws, relative to the appointment of guard-
ians for minor children.

3. House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Ionia;

4. House bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to amend section fifteen, of chapter twenty-one, of the
compiled laws, relative to the duties of overseers of highways.

5. House bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to amend section I of an act entitled "An act to
amend section 26, and repeal sections 27, 28 and 29, of chap-
ter 150, title 29, of the revised statutes of 1846, approved Feb-
ruary 16, 1857, being section 5658 of compiled laws, relative
to the rates of legal advertising;

6. Senate bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of stage companies;

7. House bill No. 85, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise and amend the charter of the city of Saginaw," approved February 5th, 1859;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bill:

8. House bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to authorize Jesse Spalding to connect his boom, on the Menomiree river, with the Michigan shore, and to build, keep and maintain, a dividing boom on said Menominee river, in Menominee county, in the State of Michigan;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled joint resolution:

1. House joint resolution No. 13, entitled

A joint resolution for the relief of David W. Noyes, Loren Andrews, Unn Miller, and Hiram W. Miller, heirs at law of Joseph Miller deceased;

2. House joint resolution No. 18, entitled

Joint resolution providing for the distribution of Prof. Winchell's report of Geological survey, for the year 1861, to the officers and members of the present Legislature;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled joint resolutions:

8. Senate joint resolution No. 1, entitled

Joint resolution to provide for submitting the question of a

revision of the Constitution of the State of Michigan.
electors thereof;

House joint resolution No. 14, entitled
ent resolution in relation to the sale of the compiled laws;
have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed
chairman to report the same back to the House, asking
concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

TITUS DORT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,
the first, second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh named
were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Williams,
the amendments made to the eighth named bill were concurred
in, *in gross*, and the bill was placed on the order of third
reading.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,
the first and second named joint resolutions were placed on
order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Williams,
the amendments made to the third and fourth named joint
resolutions were concurred in, *in gross*, and the joint resolutions
were placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Mallary asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr.
Mallary, for an indefinite time.

On motion of Mr. Dussan,
The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Friday, January 27, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to
order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Meyer.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Slocum and Wil-

Mr. Mickley asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Slocum until Tuesday next.

Mr. Thomas asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Willits, until Tuesday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. McKernan: petition of R. Sheldon, William Newcomb, S. S. Robinson, and 370 other citizens of the Upper Peninsula, asking the formation of a new judicial circuit;

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The petition was laid on the table.

By Mr. G. C. Jones: petition of W. S. Dickinson, John Jones, and 12 others, citizens of the Upper Peninsula, asking for the organization of a new judicial circuit;

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones,

The petition was laid on the table.

By Mr. Forbes: petition of the township of Bridgewater, Washtenaw county, concerning bounties paid volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Schar: petition of T. M. Wilson, Geo. C. Walker, and 60 others, citizens of Chesterfield, Macomb county, asking the passage of a law to raise money to pay indebtedness incurred in paying bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Miles: petition of D. B. Harrington and 43 others, praying for an alteration in the location of about four miles of the south end of the Bay City and Port Huron State road, so as to conform to a route lately selected by the city and township of Port Huron as a highway, and asking for an appropriation of swamp lands for the opening of the same;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Reed: petition of the township board of the township of Williamston, Ingham county, to refund moneys paid to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Taylor: petition of M. W. Quackenbush and 75

to lay out and establish a State road from Spalding to
g. and appropriate swamp lands for the same;
ferred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Copley: petition of Wm. P. Bennett, Wm. L. Wood
Charles O. Vose, the township board of Marcellus town-
ship county, praying for legalization of \$100 bounty per
voted January 21, 1865, to apply on the December call
10,000 men;

ferred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Reed: memorial of Woodhouse & Butler;

ferred to the committee on Reform School.

Mr. Griswold: memorial of Allen R. Burr, asking relief as
of the sureties of John McKinney, late State Treasurer;
ferred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Griswold: petition of John C. C. Ellis, heir at law of
Ellis, in relation to the printing of 1843, for damages for
non-performance of a contract entered into by the State;

ferred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Packard: petition of Samuel G. Schaffer and 29
tax payers of the township of Casco, Allegan county,
g for the passage of a law allowing them to raise three
red dollars, by tax, for each volunteer or drafted man, to
e present or any future call;

ferred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Chipman: petition of George E. Hand, E. B. Ward,
Isbell, Wm. A. Howard, and others, to extend the pro-
visions of act No. 100, of the laws of 1857, for the better pro-
tection of the public and private lands;

ferred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Chipman: remonstrance of Samuel T. Douglass, B. F.
itherell, Oliver Bourke, Evans & Walker, and others, citi-
zens and tax payers of Detroit, against the metropolitan police

ferred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Boies: petition of C. A. Hopkins and others, of the
ship of Medina, Lenawee county, for the passage of an act

changing the name of the First Congregational Society, of Medina, to the First Presbyterian Society, of Medina;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to protect employes of emigrant labor, contracted under the provisions of an act of Congress, approved July 4, 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred the petition of the directors of the Detroit & Grand River Plank Road Company, asking the passage of a law authorizing them to discontinue and abandon a portion of their road, and the petition of certain citizens of Detroit for the same purpose,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill to authorize the Detroit & Grand River Plank Road Company to discontinue and abandon a portion of their road,

And recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. F. MAILLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered

ated, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred A bill to consolidate the townships of Oceana and Dalton, Muskegon county, and to create three towns from the territory thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the house, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Allegan, in the county of Allegan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the house, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 30, entitled .

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sylvan, in the county of Washtenaw, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of said taxes,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back

to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the sheriffs of certain counties to serve process issued by justices of the peace,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to incorporate the city of Salina, in the county of Saginaw,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was recommitted House bill No. 19, being

bill to extend to actual settlers, under the provisions of "Homestead Act," certain rights and privileges as free-

ers,
respectfully report that they have had the same under con-
sideration, and have directed me to report the following substi-
tute therefor, recommending that such substitute do pass, and
to be discharged from the further consideration of the sub-

A. D. GRISWOLD, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

the House concurred in the adoption of the substitute re-
ported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee
on the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

Report of the committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred
a bill to amend section 579 of the compiled laws, being sec-
tion 87, of chapter 12, requiring overseers of highways to give
them in a sum double the amount of money that shall come
into their hands,

respectfully report that they have had the same under con-
sideration, and have directed me to report the same back to
the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending
that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when
so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further
consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by
the committee.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on fisheries:

The committee on fisheries, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to prevent fishing with seines and every kind of nets, in certain counties of the State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. A. T. WENDELL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 26, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That the committee on military affairs of the Senate, and the committee on military affairs of the House, be directed to act as a joint committee in the consideration of the amendments to the militia law, and of such other matter as may be referred to the said committee by their respective Houses;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 26, 1865. }

to the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

House bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the townships of Ash, Raisinville, Erie and Frenchtown, in the county of Monroe;

Also, House bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the county of East Saginaw;

in the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a two-thirds vote all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 26, 1865. }

to the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following entitled bill:

Senate bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the townships of Bedford and Ida, in the county of Monroe;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 26, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 5, entitled

Joint resolution asking the general government for a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Mineral Range railroad;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Cobb offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on printing be requested to have 1,000 copies of the Biennial Report of the Board of Trustees of the Michigan Asylum for the Insane, printed for the members of this House;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Wilcox offered the following:

Resolved, That the Secretary of State be requested to report to this House, the number of Fire Insurance Companies now organized and doing business under the laws of this State, giving the names and location of each company, whether organized on the plan of Stock or Mutual Insurance, and whether any, and if so, how much capital is employed in the transactions of its business, and how the same is invested or secured; and that he be requested also to state whether, in his opinion, any, and if so, what legislation is necessary in order to protect

important interest of the people against fraud and imposition in order to increase the facilities for economical and insurance, in companies organized under our own laws; which was adopted.

Green moved to take from the table House bill No. 41,

and

bill to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers;

which motion prevailed.

Green moved that the bill be referred to a special committee

of thirteen, and that the chairman of the judiciary committee

be made chairman of such committee;

which motion prevailed.

Mr. L. Smith gave notice that on some future day he would

leave to introduce

bill to encourage the erection and support of water power

factories.

Mr. Jenness gave notice that on some future day he would

leave to introduce

bill asking an appropriation of State swamp lands to aid

in removing obstructions in Bell river, in the township of Im-

Lapeer county, thereby draining certain State swamp lands

in said township.

Mr. Morton gave notice that on some future day he would

leave to introduce

bill to amend an act to revise the charter of the city of De-

troit, approved February 5th, A. D. 1857, and the acts amend-

thereto.

Mr. Van Vleet gave notice that on some future day he would

leave to introduce

bill to amend section 6, of act 216, of session laws of 1861,

and an act to provide for the drainage of swamps, marshes

and other low lands.

Mr. Clements gave notice that on some future day he would

leave to introduce

bill entitled an act relative to the public schools of the city

of Ann Arbor.

Mr. O'Grady gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for the service of garnishee process in cases of co-partnerships or firms not incorporated, and individuals doing business in this State, and who are non-residents thereof.

Mr. Woodman gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the incorporation of "publishers' associations."

Mr. Brockway gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act amendatory of the several acts relating to the Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion, and the Albion Female Collegiate Institute, approved February 25, 1861.

Mr. Dort, unanimous consent being given, introduced,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Ecorse, in the county of Wayne.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Clements, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the authorities of the city of Ann Arbor in issuing bonds, or certificates of indebtedness, to aid in the erection of a suitable building for the use of the medical department of the University of Michigan, and to provide for the payment thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Chipman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act for the better protection of the public lands, and to punish cutting and carrying off the timber therefrom, approved April 12, 1857, and to extend the provisions of said act to private lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. G. W. Allen, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act to amend an act amendatory of "an act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids," approved February 10, 1859, and further to amend "an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

Senate bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the several townships in any of the counties on the line of the Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad, to aid in the construction of said road, approved February 5th, 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Horton,	Mr. Pitts,
A. Allen,	M. D. Howard,	Reed,
G. W. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Ruynan,
Bayley,	Jenness,	Sanderson,
Ball,	J. H. Jones,	Schars,
Bartow,	G. C. Jones,	Seymour,
Beach,	Keeler,	Shier,
Boies,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Laing,	W. T. Smith,
Bonine,	Landon,	Stewart,
Brockway,	Lapham,	Swift,
Camburn,	Lewis,	Taylor,
Carleton,	Look,	Thayer,
Chipman,	Luther,	Thomas,
Clements,	Mallary,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,
Colwell,	May,	Warper,
Copley,	McKay,	Welch,
Dort,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dusseau,	Mickley,	White,
Fellows,	Miles,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Monroe,	Williams,
Forbes,	Morton,	Winsor,
Gies,	Newcomb,	Woodman,

Mr. O'Grady gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for the service of garnishee process in cases of co-partnerships or firms not incorporated, and individuals doing business in this State, and who are non-residents thereof.

Mr. Woodman gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the incorporation of "publishers' associations."

Mr. Brockway gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act amendatory of the several acts relating to the Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion, and the Albion Female Collegiate Institute, approved February 25, 1861.

Mr. Dort, unanimous consent being given, introduced,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Ecorse, in the county of Wayne.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Clements, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the authorities of the city of Ann Arbor in issuing bonds, or certificates of indebtedness, to aid in the erection of a suitable building for the use of the medical department of the University of Michigan, and to provide for the payment thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Chipman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act for the better protection of the public lands, and to punish cutting and carrying off the timber therefrom, approved April 12, 1857, and to extend the provisions of said act to private lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

W. Allen, previous notice having been given, and leave granted, introduced

bill to amend an act to amend an act amendatory of "an act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids," approved January 10, 1859, and further to amend "an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Senate bill No. 4, entitled

Bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the several townships in any of the counties on the line of the Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad, to aid in the construction of said railroad, approved February 5th, 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Aitkin,	Mr. Horton,	Mr. Pitts,
A. Allen,	M. D. Howard,	Reed,
G. W. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Ruysan,
Bayley,	Jenness,	Sauderson,
Ball,	J. H. Jones,	Schars,
Bartow,	G. C. Jones,	Seymour,
Beach,	Keeler,	Shier,
Boies,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Laing,	W. T. Smith,
Bonine,	Landon,	Stewart,
Brockway,	Lapham,	Swift,
Camburn,	Lewis,	Taylor,
Carleton,	Look,	Thayer,
Chipman,	Luther,	Thomas,
Clements,	Mallory,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,
Colwell,	May,	Warper,
Copley,	McKay,	Welch,
Dort,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dusseau,	Mickley,	White,
Fellows,	Miles,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Monroe,	Williams,
Forbes,	Morton,	Winson,
Gies,	Newcomb,	Woodman,

Graham,	Nixon,	Woodruff,	
Green,	Nowland,	Woodward,	
Griswold,	Osborn,	Woodworth,	
Haire,	Packard,	Yawkey,	
Hawley,	Phillips,	Speaker,	
Haynes,			38
	NAYS.		0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House joint resolution No. 18, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of David W. Noyes, Loren Andrews, Unn Miller and Hiram W. Miller, heirs at law of Joseph Miller, deceased,

Being under consideration,

Mr. Mallary asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the first resolve of the joint resolution, by inserting in the 5th line, after the word "Resolved," the words, "By the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan."

The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Horton,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	M. D. Howard,	Runyan,
G. W. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Sanderson,
Bayley,	Jenness,	Schars,
Ball,	G. C. Jones,	Seymour,
Bartow,	Keeler,	Shier,
Beach,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Boies,	Laing,	W. T. Smith,
Bond,	Landon,	Stewart,
Bonine,	Lapham,	Swift,
Brockway,	Lewis,	Taylor,
Camburn,	Look,	Thayer,
Carleton,	Luther,	Thomas,
Chipman,	Mallary,	Tupper,
Clements,	May,	Van Vleet,
Cobb,	McKay,	Warner,

ulwell,	McKernan,	Welch,
ort,	Mickley,	Wendell,
unlap,	Miles,	White,
ussean,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
ellows,	Morton,	Williams,
isher,	Newcomb,	Winsor,
orbes,	Nixon,	Woodman,
ies,	Nowland,	Woodruff,
raham,	Osborn,	Woodward,
reen,	Packard,	Woodworth,
riswold,	Phillips,	Yawkey,
aire,	Pitts,	Speaker,
awley,		85

NAYS.

aynes,	Mr. J. H. Jones,	2
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agreed to.

motion of Mr. Mallary,

a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the joint
tion was ordered to take immediate effect.

ate bill No. 1, entitled

ill to amend section four, of chapter eighty-six, of the
d statutes, being section three thousand three hundred
vo of the compiled laws, relative to the appointment of
ians for minor children,

s read a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-
lect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

itken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Phillips,
. Allen,	Horton,	Pitts,
. W. Allen,	M. D. Howard,	Reed,
ayley,	O. F. Howard,	Runyan,
all,	Jenness,	Sanderson,
artow,	J. H. Jones,	Schars,
each,	G. O. Jones,	Seymour,
ies,	Keeler,	Shier,
ond,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
onine,	Laing,	W. T. Smith,
rockway,	Landon,	Stewart,
amburn,	Lapham,	Swift,
arleton,	Lewis,	Taylor,
hipman,	Look,	Thayer,
lements,	Luther,	Thomas,

Cobb,	Mallary,	Tupper,
Colwell,	May,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	McKay,	Warner,
Dort,	McKernan,	Welch,
Duulap,	Mickley,	Wendell,
Dusseau,	Miles,	White,
Fisher,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Forbes,	Morton,	Williams,
Gies,	Newcomb,	Woodman,
Graham,	Nixon,	Woodruff,
Green,	Nowland,	Woodward,
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,
Haire,	Osborn,	Yawkey,
Hawley,	Packard,	Speaker, 87
	NAYS.	0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Ionia,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Pitts,
A. Allen,	Horton,	Reed,
G. W. Allen,	M. D. Howard,	Runyan,
Bayley,	Jenness,	Sanderson,
Ball,	J. H. Jones,	Schars,
Bartow,	G. O. Jones,	Seymour,
Beach,	Keeler,	Shier,
Boies,	Laing,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Landon,	W. T. Smith,
Bonine,	Lapham,	Stewart,
Brockway,	Lewis,	Swift,
Camburn,	Look,	Taylor,
Carleton,	Luther,	Thayer,
Chipman,	Mallary,	Thomas,
Clements,	May,	Tupper,
Cobb,	McKay,	Van Vleet,
Colwell,	McKernan,	Warner,
Copley,	Mickley,	Welch,
Dort,	Miles,	Wendell,

lap,	Monroe,	White,
seau,	Morton,	Wilcox,
er,	Newcomb,	Winsor,
es,	Nixon,	Woodman,
,	Nowland,	Woodruff,
am,	O'Grady,	Woodward,
n,	Osborn,	Woodworth,
wold,	Packard,	Yawkey,
e,	Phillips,	Speaker,
ley,		

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NAYS.

0

agreed to.

tion of Mr. Welch,

ote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was
to take immediate effect.

bill No. 29, entitled

to amend section 15, chapter 21, of the compiled laws,
to the duties of overseers of highways,

read a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-
at voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

ten,	Mr. Horton,	Mr. Pitts,
allen,	M. D. Howard,	Reed,
V. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Rumyan,
ley,	Jenness,	Sanderson,
,	J. H. Jones,	Schars,
ow,	G. C. Jones,	Seymour,
ch,	Keeler,	Shier,
se,	Kennedy,	L. Smith,
d,	Laing,	W. T. Smith,
ine,	Landon,	Stewart,
ckway,	Lapham,	Swift,
burn,	Lewis,	Taylor,
eton,	Look,	Thayer,
oman,	Luther,	Thomas,
nents,	Mallory,	Tupper,
b,	May,	Van Vleet,
vell,	McKay,	Warner,
ley,	McKernan,	Welch,
,	Mickleby,	Wendell,
lap,	Miles,	White,
seau,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
er,	Morton,	Williams,

Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Packard,
Phillips,

Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

33

NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 9, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of stage companies,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. O'Grady moved that the bill be laid on the table, and ordered printed;

Which was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

The bill was laid on the table, and ordered printed.

House joint resolution No. 15, entitled

Joint resolution providing for the distribution of Professor Winchell's Report of Geological Survey, for the year 1861, to the officers and members of the present Legislature,

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Clements,

Mr. Cobb,
Copley,
Graham,
Griswold,
Haynes,
O. F. Howard,
G. C. Jones,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mickley,
Newcomb,
Nixon,

Mr. Packard,
Phillips,
Runyan,
Seymour,
Shier,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Wendell,
Williams,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

way,	Mr. Keeler,	Mr. Reed,
an,	Kenney,	Sauderson,
ll,	Landon,	Schars,
	Look,	W. T. Smith,
p,	Mallary,	Stewart,
an,	May,	Tupper,
re,	McKay,	Van Vleet,
r,	McKernan,	Warner,
	Miles,	White,
	Monroe,	Wilcox,
	Morton,	Wineor,
ey,	Nowland,	Woodman,
Howard,	O'Grady,	Woodruff,
	Osborn,	Woodward,
Jones,	Pitts,	Woodworth, 46

bill No. 85, entitled

to amend an act entitled "An act to revise and amend
of the city of Saginaw, approved February 5th,

and a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-
voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

n;	Mr. Hawley,	Mr. Pitts,
ten,	Haynes,	Reed,
Allen,	Horton,	Runyan,
y,	O. F. Howard,	Sauderson,
	Jenness,	Schars,
w,	J. H. Jones,	Seymour,
	G. C. Jones,	Shier,
	Keeler,	L. Smith,
	Kenney,	W. T. Smith,
e,	Landon,	Stewart,
way,	Lapham,	Swift,
urn,	Lewis,	Taylor,
ton,	Look,	Thayer,
nan,	Luther,	Thomas,
ents,	Mallary,	Tupper,
	May,	Van Vleet,
ll,	McKay,	Warner,
y,	McKernan,	Wendell,
	Mickley,	White,
p,	Miles,	Wilcox,
an,	Monroe,	Williams,

Fellows,	Morton,	Winsor,
Fisher,	Newcomb,	Woodman,
Forbes,	Nixon,	Woodruff,
Gies,	Nowland,	Woodward,
Graham,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,
Green,	Osborn,	Yawkey,
Griswold,	Packard,	Speaker,
Haire,	Phillips,	86
	NAYS.	0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 84, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act to amend section 26, and repeal sections 27, 28 and 29, of chapter 160, title 29, of the revised statutes of 1846, approved February 16 h. 1857, being section 5658, compiled laws, relative to the rates of legal advertising,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Warner asked the unanimous consent of the House to add a new section to the bill, to stand a section two, as follows:

"Sec 2 This act shall be and remain in force and effect for two years, from and after its passage;"

Objected to by Mr. Munger.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Griswold,	Mr. Nowland,
G. W. Allen,	Haire,	O'Grady,
Bayley,	Horton,	Packard,
Barlow,	M. D. Howard,	Phillips,
Boies,	J. H. Jones,	Pitts,
Bond,	G. C. Jones,	Reed,
Bonine,	Kenney,	Schara,
Brockway,	Laing,	Shier,
Carleton,	Landon,	L. Smith,
Chipman,	Lapham,	W. T. Smith,
Clements,	Lewis,	Taylor,

Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Monroe,
Morton,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Packard,

Wilcox,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,
Boies,
Colwell,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,

Mr. Graham,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Look,
Mickley,

Mr. Pitts,
Shier,
Swift,
Thayer,
Woodworth, 15

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 32, entitled

A bill to authorize Jesse Spalding to connect his boom, on the Menominee river, with the Michigan shore, and to build, keep and maintain a dividing boom on said Menominee river, in Menominee county, in the State of Michigan,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Brockway asked obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by striking out section 4 thereof.

Mr. Chipman asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to further amend the bill, by adding the following proviso at the end of the second section thereof:

"Provided further, That this act may be amended, altered or repealed, at any time, by the Legislature of this State."

Mr. G. C. Jones asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to still further amend section 2, of the bill, by inserting in the fifth line, after the word "*Provided*," the following words: "that he shall first obtain the consent of the owner or occupant of any land adjoining said river, and that,"

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

ken,	Mr. Hawley,	Mr. Osborn,
Allen,	Haynes,	Packard,
W. Allen,	Horton,	Phillips,
yley,	M. D. Howard,	Reed,
l,	O. F. Howard,	Runyan,
tow,	Jenness,	Sanderson,
ch,	J. H. Jones,	Schars,
es,	G. C. Jones,	Seymour,
d,	Keeler,	Shier,
ine,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
ckway,	Laing,	Stewart,
mburn,	Landon,	Swift,
leton,	Lapham,	Taylor,
pman,	Lewis,	Thayer,
ments,	Look,	Thomas,
bb,	Luther,	Tupper,
well,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,
ley,	May,	Warner,
t,	McKay,	Wendell,
lap,	McKernan,	White,
sean,	Mickley,	Wilcox,
ber,	Miles,	Williams,
bes,	Monroe,	Woodman,
a,	Morton,	Woodruff,
ham,	Newcomb,	Woodward,
en,	Nixon,	Woodworth,
swold,	Nowland,	Yawkey,
re,	O'Grady,	Speaker, 84

NAYS.

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agreed to.

otion of Mr. Van Vleet,

vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was

to take immediate effect.

manuscript bill, entitled

to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the

p of Allegan, in Allegan county,

read a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-

ct voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

ken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Pack,
Allen,	Horton,	Packard,

G. W. Allen,	M. D. Howard,	Phillips,
Bayley,	O. F. Howard,	Pitts,
Ball,	Jenness,	Reed,
Bartow,	J. H. Jones,	Runyan,
Beach,	G. C. Jones,	Sanderson,
Boies,	Keeler,	Schars,
Bond,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Bonine,	Laing,	Shier,
Brockway,	Landon,	L. Smith,
Camburn,	Lapham,	Stewart,
Carleton,	Lewis,	Swift,
Chipman,	Look,	Taylor,
Clements,	Luther,	Thayer,
Cobb,	Mallary,	Thomas,
Colwell,	Maxwell,	Tupper,
Copley,	May,	Van Vleet,
Dort,	McKay,	Warner,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dussean,	Mickley,	White,
Fellows,	Miles,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Monroe,	Williams,
Forbes,	Morton,	Woodman,
Gies,	Newcomb,	Woodruff,
Graham,	Nixon,	Woodward,
Green,	Nowland,	Woodworth,
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Yawkey,
Haire,	Osborn,	Speaker,
Hawley,		

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Ball,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 80, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sylvan, in the county of Washtenaw, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of said taxes,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Hawley,	Mr. Pack,
A. Allen,	Haynes,	Packard,
G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Phillips,

vley,	M. D. Howard,	Pitte,
l,	O. F. Howard,	Reed,
tow,	Jenness,	Runyan,
ch,	J. H. Jones,	Schars,
es,	G. C. Jones,	Seymour,
d,	Kenney,	Shier,
ine,	Laing,	L. Smith,
ckway,	Landon,	Stewart,
nburn,	Lapham,	Swift,
pman,	Lewis,	Taylor,
ments,	Luther,	Thayer,
b,	Mallary,	Thomas,
well,	Maxwell,	Tepper,
vley,	May,	Van Vleet,
t,	McKay,	Warner,
alap,	McKernan,	Welch,
sean,	Mickley,	Wendell,
lows,	Miles,	White,
ner,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
bes,	Morton,	Woodman,
s,	Newcomb,	Woodruff,
ham,	Nixon,	Woodward,
eu,	Nowland,	Woodworth,
swold,	O'Grady,	Yawkey,
re,	Osborn,	Speaker,

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NAYS.

k, Mr. Sanderson, Mr. Williams, 3

agreed to.

otion of Mr. Clements,

vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was
to take immediate effect.

uestion being upon agreeing to the title,

hipman moved to amend the title by striking out the
said," and adding the words "in the same" after the
taxes";

h was agreed to.

title as amended was then agreed to.

otion of Mr. Landon,

house took a recess until this afternoon at 3 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Luther moved that the House take up and run through the regular order of business;

Which was agreed to.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 29, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the townships of Bedford and Ida, in the county of Monroe,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 27, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 16, entitled

HOUSE OF REPRESENT

to provide for the payment of the
legislature, for the year 1865,
which the Senate made sundry amendments
refused to concur; and to inform
insists on its amendments to said
also directed to inform the Hon
a committee of conference upon the
Houses on said bill, and that, on the
s. Croswell, Collier and McCurdy, be
committee.

Very respectfully

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Monroe moved that a committee of
part of the House, to confer with the
Senate, on the disagreement of the
which motion prevailed.

The Speaker appointed Messrs. Monroe
and committee.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND

Luther moved to take from the table
the

resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That
for one week, commencing Thurs

and the following substitute offered the
resolved (the Senate concurring,) That
a recess, commencing Wednesday noon
running until Tuesday, 10 o'clock, the
which motion prevailed.

Luther then moved to amend the
Wednesday noon, February 1st,"
of "Tuesday afternoon, January 31
Thursday," and insert "Wednesday"
Hawley moved to amend the amend

"Tuesday afternoon, January 31st," and inserting "alien thereof
"on the first Tuesday in February;"

Which was withdrawn.

Mr. Brockway renewed the motion of Mr. Hawley;

Mr. Morton moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which was not agreed to.

The amendment of Mr. Brockway was not agreed to.

The amendment of Mr. Luther was not agreed to.

The question being upon the adoption of the substitute, as
amended,

Mr. O'Grady demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the resolution was adopted,
by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,	Mr. Horton,	Mr. Phillips,
G. W. Allen,	M. D. Howard,	Pitts,
Bartow,	O. F. Howard,	Runyan,
Beach,	Jenness,	Sanderson,
Bond,	Laing,	Schars,
Camburn,	Lewis,	Seymour,
Chipman,	Look,	W. T. Smith,
Cobb,	Luther,	Swift,
Copley,	Maxwell,	Thayer,
Fellows,	May,	Thomas,
Fisher,	Mickley,	Tupper,
Forbes,	Miles,	Welch,
Gies,	Monroe,	White,
Graham,	Munger,	Wilcox,
Haire,	Nowland,	Williams,
Hawley,	Osborn,	Woodward,
Haynes,	Packard,	Woodworth, 51

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Mr. Bayley,	Mr. J. H. Jones,	Mr. O'Grady,
Ball,	G. C. Jones,	Pack,
Boies,	Keeler,	Shier,
Bonine,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Brockway,	Landon,	Taylor,
Clements,	Lapham,	Warner,
Colwell,	Mallory,	Wendell,
Dort,	McKay,	Woodman,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Woodruff,

usseau,	Morton,	Yawkey,	
reen,	Newcomb,	Speaker,	
riswold,	Nixon,		85

Taylor moved to take from the table House bill No. 4,
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bill to authorize the Forest Valley Salt Manufacturing
any to engage in the manufacture of lumber;
ich motion prevailed.

motion of Mr. Taylor,

bill was placed on the order of third reading.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

ate joint resolution No. 1, entitled

nt resolution to provide for submitting the question of a
al revision of the Constitution of the State of Michigan,
electors thereof,

s read a third time and passed, a majority of all the
ers elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Allen,	Mr. M. D. Howard,	Mr. Packard,
W. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Phillips,
ayley,	Jenness,	Pitts,
artow,	G. C. Jones,	Reed,
oies,	Keeler,	Runyan,
ond,	Kenney,	Sanderson,
onine,	Laing,	Schars,
rockway,	Landon,	Seymour,
amburn,	Lapham,	Shier,
hipman,	Lewis,	L. Smith,
lements,	Look,	W. T. Smith,
obb,	Luther,	Swift,
	Mallary,	Taylor,
	May,	Thayer,
	McKay,	Tupper,
	McKernan,	Warner,
	Mickley,	Welch,
	Miles,	Wendell,
	Monroe,	White,
	Morton,	Wilcox,
	Munger,	Williams,
	Newcomb,	Woodman,
	Nixon,	Woodruff,

Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Horton,

Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,

Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker, 81

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Mr. Ball, Mr. Colwell, Mr. J. H. Jones, 3

Title and preamble agreed to.

House joint resolution No. 14, entitled

Joint resolution in relation to the sale of the compiled laws,

Being under consideration,

Mr. Chipman asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to strike out the proviso at the end of the joint resolution.

The joint resolution was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Chipman,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
J. H. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,

Mr. Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Tupper,
Warner,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker, 78

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anlap,
 agreed to.
 motion of Mr. Horton,
 vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the joint
 ion was ordered to take immediate effect.
 se bill No. 15, entitled
 ll to amend section 579 of the compiled laws, being sec-
 , of chapter 12, requiring overseers of highways to give
 n a sum double the amount of money that shall come
 eir hands,
 read a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-
 ect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Allen,	Mr. Horton,	Mr. Packard,
W. Allen,	M. D. Howard,	Phillips,
ayley,	O. F. Howard,	Pitte,
all,	Jenness,	Reed,
artow,	J. H. Jones,	Runyan,
each,	G. C. Jones,	Sanderson,
oies,	Keeler,	Schars,
ond,	Kenney,	Seymour,
onine,	Laing,	Shier,
rockway,	Landon,	L. Smith,
amburn,	Lapham,	W. T. Smith,
hipman,	Lewis,	Swift,
ements,	Look,	Taylor,
ulwell,	Luther,	Thayer,
opley,	Mallary,	Thomas,
ort,	May,	Tupper,
anlap,	McKay,	Warner,
asseau,	McKernan,	Welch,
ellows,	Mickley,	Wendell,
sher,	Miles,	White,
orbes,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
ies,	Morton,	Williams,
raham,	Munger,	Woodman,
reen,	Newcomb,	Woodruff,
riswold,	Nixon,	Woodward,
aire,	Nowland,	Woodworth,
awley,	O'Grady,	Yawkey,
aynes,	Pack,	Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to authorize the Forest Valley Salt Manufacturing Company to engage in the manufacture of lumber,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,	Mr. M. D. Howard,	Mr. Packard,
G. W. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Phillips,
Bayley,	Jenness,	Pitts,
Ball,	J. H. Jones,	Reed,
Bartow,	G. C. Jones,	Runyan,
Beach,	Keeler,	Sanderson,
Boies,	Kenney,	Schars,
Boud,	Landon,	Seymour,
Bonine,	Lapham,	Shier,
Brockway,	Lewis,	L. Smith,
Camburn,	Look,	W. T. Smith,
Chipman,	Luther,	Swift,
Clements,	Mallary,	Taylor,
Colwell,	Maxwell,	Thayer,
Copley,	May,	Thomas,
Dort,	McKay,	Tupper,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Warner,
Dusseau,	Mickley,	Welch,
Fellows,	Miles,	Wendell,
Forbes,	Monroe,	White,
Gies,	Morton,	Wilcox,
Graham,	Munger,	Williams,
Green,	Newcomb,	Woodman,
Griswold,	Nixon,	Woodruff,
Haire,	Nowland,	Woodward,
Hawley,	O'Grady,	Yawkey,
Haynes,	Osborn,	Speaker,
Horton,	Pack,	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was
 d to take immediate effect.
 ate bill No 29, entitled
 ill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the
 snips of Bedford and Ida, in the county of Monroe,
 as read a third time and passed, a majority of all the
 bers elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

A. Allen,	Mr. M. D. Howard,	Mr. Packard,
G. W. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Phillips,
Bayley,	Jenness,	Pitts,
Ball,	J. H. Jones,	Reed,
Bartow,	G. C. Jones,	Runyan,
Beach,	Keeler,	Sanderson,
Boies,	Kenney,	Schars,
Bond,	Landon,	Seymour,
Bonine,	Lapham,	Shier,
Brockway,	Lewis,	L. Smith,
Camburn,	Look,	W. T. Smith,
Chipman,	Luther,	Swift,
Clements,	Mallary,	Taylor,
Colwell,	Maxwell,	Tbayer,
Copley,	May,	Thomas,
Dort,	McKay,	Tupper,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Warner,
Dussean,	Mickley,	Welch,
Fellows,	Miles,	Wendell,
Forbes,	Monroe,	White,
Gies,	Morton,	Wilcox,
Graham,	Munger,	Williams,
Green,	Newcomb,	Woodman,
Grisswold,	Nixon,	Woodruff,
Haire,	Nowland,	Woodward,
Hawley,	O'Grady,	Yawkey,
Haynes,	Osborn,	Speaker,
Horton.	Pack,	

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question being upon agreeing to the title,
 Green moved to amend the title by inserting before the
 "Bedford," the words "Monroe and Summerfield;"
 which motion prevailed.
 title, as amended, was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Gies,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Cobb in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 16, entitled,

Joint resolution to authorize the Commissioner of the State Land Office to dispose of swamp and marsh lands in the county of Monroe;

Have made some amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bills:

1. House bill No. 33, entitled

A bill for creating and forming a twelfth judicial circuit;

2. House bill No. 36, entitled

A bill for the relief of Menominee county;

3. House bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 8, of act No. 157, of the session laws of 1859;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The amendments made by the committee to the joint resolu-

passed in, in **gross**, and the joint resolution was
in order of third reading.

of Mr. McKernan,

second and third named bills were placed on the
reading.

asked and obtained leave of absence for himself,
indefinite time.

he announced the following special committee to
consider bill No. 23, entitled

to authorize the payment of bounties to volunteers:

Wiswold, Green, Warner, Boies, Bonine, Woodman,

Kay, Welch, Miles, O'Grady, Cobb and Van Vleet.

of Mr. McKernan,

adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Saturday, January 28, 1865.

met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to
order by Speaker *pro tem*.

A quorum present.

Roll call, without leave, Messrs. Copley, Fellows,
Purson, Taylor, Tupper, Speaker.

asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Cop-
pley, indefinite time.

asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Fel-
lows, indefinite time, on account of sickness.

asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr.
Tupper, Tuesday next.

asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. San-
born, indefinite time.

asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr.,
Wednesday next.

asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Tup-
per, indefinite time, on account of sickness.

asked and obtained leave of absence for the
Speaker, an indefinite time.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Clements: resolution of the Common Council of the city of Ann Arbor;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Cobb: petition of S. V. R. Earl, A. D. Chappel, A. V. Monroe, and 144 other citizens of the township of Cooper, Kalamazoo county, asking the passage of a law authorizing the board of said township to raise a sufficient sum of money to pay or refund the several sums subscribed and paid as a bounty fund to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Dusseau: petition of Aaron B. West and 46 others, of the township of Whiteford, Monroe county, asking an amendment to section 6, of act 23, authorizing the payment of bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Woodward: petition of H. E. Osborn and 95 others, to have a certain portion of the township of Waterloo (twelve sections) annexed to the township of Grass Lake, in Jackson county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Bayley: petition of Rolin Sprague, Edward P. Harris and 58 others, for the repeal of the charter of the Royal Oak and Rochester Plank Road Company;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Clements: petition of citizens and tax payers of the city of Ann Arbor, for the legalization of certain bonds of said city;

On motion of Mr. Clements,

The petition was ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the petition:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

It having become necessary to provide for increased accommodations for the Medical Department of the University of Michigan, and the Board of Regents not having at their com-

the means to enlarge the building, the tax payers of the city of Ann Arbor, at a meeting held pursuant to a call of the city, by a unanimous vote, authorized and directed the common council to issue bonds of indebtedness to the amount of one thousand dollars, and donate the proceeds to the Regents for the rebuilding of the Medical College, which said bonds have been issued and disposed of at their par value. Therefore, undersigned, tax payers of the city of Ann Arbor, your constituents, respectfully petition for the passage of an act approving this action of the common council, and that there may be made a legal claim upon the city.

of Ann Arbor, Feb. 1st, 1864.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

The committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred sundry petitions praying for an increase of fees of town and county clerks; also, a bill providing for the same object, respectfully report that the petitions, also the bill, proposes to increase the fees from 30 to 70 per cent above present rates; under the present state of the country, and the fair prospect of the rebellion drawing to a close, we do not deem it advisable or prudent to alter or change the rates of such fees at present. We therefore return the various petitions, also the bill on the same subject, and recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted, and that the bill do not pass, and be discharged from the further consideration of the committee.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

that the bill and petitions were laid on the table.

The committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of De-

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES,

For the Committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

Mr. Gies moved that the bill be laid on the table;

Mr. Chipman demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Haire,	Mr. Miles,
Bond,	Horton,	Morton,
Chipman,	M. D. Howard,	Nowland,
Colwell,	Look,	O'Grady,
Dort,	Maxwell,	Pitts,
Dusseau,	May,	Welch,
Forbes,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Gies,		

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Mr. Aitken,	Mr. G. C. Jones,	Mr. Seymour,
A. Allen,	Keeler,	Shier,
G. W. Allen,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Bayley,	Laing,	W. T. Smith,
Ball,	Landon,	Stewart,
Beach,	Lapham,	Swift,
Boies,	Lewis,	Thayer,
Bonine,	Luther,	Thomas,
Brockway,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,
Camburn,	McKay,	Warner,
Carleton,	Mickley,	White,
Clements,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Cobb,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Dunlap,	Nixon,	Winsor,
Fisher,	Osborn,	Woodman,

Graham,	• Pack,	Woodruff,
Green,	Packard,	Woodward,
Haynes,	Phillips,	Woodworth,
D. F. Howard,	Reed,	Yawkey,
Jeanness,	Runyan,	*Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,
J. H. Jones,	Schars,	63

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, placed on the general order.

Chipman moved that the minority of the committee on the judiciary have leave to report upon the bill just acted upon; which motion prevailed.

The minority of the committee on the judiciary then submitted the following report:

The undersigned, members of the judiciary committee, to whom was referred

A bill to establish a police government for the city of De-

troit, have leave to report that they have given the subject serious consideration, and regret that they cannot agree with the majority of the committee in recommending its passage.

The city of Detroit now has a population of about fifty thousand inhabitants, and it is questionable if any necessity exists for the creation of a police department, or for the employment of a police force of the magnitude contemplated and authorized by this bill. Detroit is an orderly and quiet city, and the crimes committed within its limits bear no comparison with those committed in many cities of its population; and the undersigned cannot feel nor see the necessity or propriety of imposing upon its people the enormous expenses of such a police establishment. But, beyond this, there are grave objections to the bill: It appoints four commissioners, who are to perform their duties without compensation. Experience has shown that such a system of service is seldom if ever efficient, and after the first few months, the duties of such offices are almost entirely neglected. A far more vigorous system would be secured by the appointment of one man to perform the duties of these commissioners, who should be well compensated for his labor.

But the principle of the bill is wrong. It is contrary to the genius of our whole system of government, for a State or a Governor to appoint persons to hold office, in which the State itself has but a remote and uncertain interest, and to clothe those officers with almost indefinite power of taxation over a people who have no immediate power over their appointment, and no control over their actions. It is like making a dependency or colony of a great city, and placing it in a subordinate position to the balance of society, instead of permitting it to hold that leading position to which its enterprise and wealth entitles it. Such legislation can do no good. It but tends to create strife and ill-feeling between the city and the State, and can only result in evil to both. The city government of Detroit has been administered for many years by men of high moral character, and those distinguished gentlemen who have held the office of mayor, would compare favorably with the executors of this State, both in regard to ability and for purity of character. These men know the wants of Detroit, and the wishes of her people, far better than any Governor could well be informed on that subject. The undersigned believe that the objects of this bill would be better secured by confiding the whole appointing power to the mayor of Detroit, or providing for the election of the police officers by the people. And that it is unjust, unreasonable and oppressive for the State to assume the power of the appointment of these commissioners, in opposition to the wishes of the city government. Therefore, the undersigned recommend that said bill do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. C. MAXWELL,

J. LOGAN CHIPMAN.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Detroit, as to police system,

pectfully report that they have had the same under con-
sion, and have directed me to report the same back to the
without amendment, and recommend that it do not
and ask to be discharged from the further consideration
subject.

G. C. JONES,

For majority of the Committee.

ort accepted and committee discharged.

Chipman moved that the bill be ordered printed, and re-
to the committee of the whole;

Williams moved that the bill be laid on the table;

ch motion did not prevail.

question recurring upon the motion of Mr. Chipman,

Chipman demanded the yeas and nays;

demand was seconded, and the motion prevailed, by yeas

ys, as follows:

YEAS.

Atken,	Mr. M. D. Howard,	Mr. Packard,
Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Phillips,
W. Allen,	Jenness,	Pitts,
ayley,	J. H. Jones,	Reed,
all,	G. C. Jones,	Runyan,
artow,	Keuney,	Schare,
each,	Laing,	Seymour,
ies,	Landon,	Shier,
nd,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
nine,	Lewis,	W. T. Smith,
ockway,	Look,	Stewart,
mburn,	Luther,	Swift,
arletop,	Mallary,	Thayer,
ipman,	Maxwell,	Thomas,
ements,	May,	Van Vleet,
obb,	McKay,	Warner,
olwell,	McKernan,	Welch,
ort,	Mickley,	Wendell,
nnlap,	Miles,	White,
nessau,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
isher,	Morton,	Winsor,
orbes,	Newcomb,	Woodman,
ies,	Nixon,	Woodruff,
raham,	Nowland,	Woodward,

Green,
Haire,
Haynes,
Horton,

O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,

Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*
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Mr. Williams,

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By the committee on Reform School:

The committee on Reform School, to whom was referred

A bill to amend act 250, of the session laws of 1881, in relation to the Reform School,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. M. SWIFT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on Reform School:

The committee on Reform School, to whom was referred

A bill appropriating money for the purchase of land for the Reform School,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JOHN M. SWIFT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Ecorse, in the county of Wayne,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under con-

tion, and have directed me to report the same back to the
P, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,
ask to be discharged from the further consideration of
subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Motion of Mr. Green,

bill was placed on the order of third reading.

the committee on banks and incorporations:

committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was
ed the petition of C. W. Hopkins and others, of the town-
of Medina, Lenawee county, for the passage of an act
ing the name of the First Congregational Society of Me-
to the First Presbyterian Society of Medina,

respectfully report that they have had the same under con-
sideration, and have directed me to report the same back to
house, with the accompanying bill, entitled

bill to change the name of the First Congregational
sh of Medina, to the First Presbyterian Church of Medina,
and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged
the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

the bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered
and, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on
general order.

the committee on harbors:

committee on harbors, to whom was referred
bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the
ship of Holland, and other townships in the counties
Law and Allegan, to make loans and levy taxes for the
vement of the harbor at the mouth of North Black river,
Law county, approved February 2, 1858,.

respectfully report that they had the same under consid-
eration, and have directed me to report the same back to the

House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from its further consideration.

SAML. W. YAWKEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on harbors:

The committee on harbors, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the improvement of the Saginaw river, and for the removal of the outer bar thereof, and to authorize Bay county to loan money in aid thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

SAML. W. YAWKEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to amend act No. 61, of the session laws of 1863, entitled an act to authorize the building of a bridge across the Menominee river, and to appropriate six sections of swamp lands to the county of Menominee for the purpose of building the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when

ended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. WINSOR, *Chairman*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Motion of Mr. Graham,

the House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The committee on war bounties:

The chairman of the committee on war bounties, in obedience to the following resolution of the House, adopted on the instant, to wit:

Resolved, That the chairman of the war bounty committee lay before the House for the information of this House,

1. The number of petitions received upon the subject of raising past action in regard to raising money for bounty purposes;

2. The counties and townships, giving the name of each, in which said petitions have been received, and report the same to this House as soon as possible,

3. That the committee do leave respectfully to report that the whole number of memorials and petitions which have been referred to the committee on war bounties, to the present time, is 76, purporting to come from the following sources, viz: Memorials from the board of supervisors of the counties of Allegan, Branch, Cass, Charlevoix, Lenawee, Hillsdale and St. Joseph; from the township boards of Athens, Alameda, Burlington, Eaton Rapids, Exeter, Grand Rapids, Lawrence, Marcellus, Porter, Ray, Rives, Richmond, Springfield, Washington, West Bloomfield, Westphalia, Wheatland, Williamston and Wright; and from three hundred and sixty-seven citizens, electors and tax-payers residing in Antwerp, Barry, Brady, Batavia, Bainbridge, Bridgeport, Casco, Carmel, Chesterfield, Climax, Chesaning, Coldwater, Dallas, Dearborn, Delhi, Eagle, Eaton, Easton, Florence, Grand Rapids, Forest, Fairfield, Girard, Gun Plains, Greenfield, Ham-

Frank, Lafayette, Matteson, Narathon, Marshall, Macomb, Martin, Manchester, Newton, Napoleon, Oregon, Oshtemo, Palmyra, Porter, Redford, Riley, Rollin, Ross, Sparta, Springwells, Tekonsha, West Bloomfield and Watertown. Of the several memorials from the aforesaid boards of supervisors, five of them ask the passage of a law to legalize the action of their respective townships in raising money for bounty purposes, on July and December calls. Two of them ask for the passage of a law authorizing their respective townships to raise by tax, such sums as may be determined by the electors thereof, not exceeding three hundred dollars, to be used for the payment of bounties to volunteers, on all calls for troops hereafter made. One of the first named counties, "St. Joseph," also asked the privilege of paying a local bounty of two hundred dollars, and one of them, "Hillsdale," desired a liberal State bounty. Of the memorials received from the aforesaid township boards, twelve of them ask the legalization of the action of their several townships, relating to the payment of bounties to fill their respective quotas under the call of July last, while eight others desire the same legislation in behalf of their respective townships, as a legal justification of their acts under the call of Dec. 14th. Of the great multitude of petitions which have come before the committee from the localities above named, there are twenty-five containing sixteen hundred and eighty-nine names, that ask legislative action to enable them to raise by tax, upon the taxable property of their respective localities, such sums as may be necessary, to refund all moneys borrowed, subscribed, contributed, or advanced by individuals or associations, for the purpose of paying bounties to volunteers enlisted to the credit of said localities on the call of last July. There are seventeen others, bearing the names of eight hundred and ninety-nine electors, asking legislation in behalf of their respective communities, in consequence of action already had in filling their quotas under the call of December 14th.

Five others, with two hundred and seventy-eight names

the passage of a law authorizing the raising of local
 es, ranging from two to six hundred dollars. The re-
 ng three petitions, containing two hundred and one names,
 r the payment of a State bounty from one to two hun-
 dollars.

tions from Bainbridge, Dallas, Girard, Imlay, Lafayette,
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 ts, have also been referred to the committee, all protest-
 d remonstrating against the legalization by this Legisla-
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of which is respectfully submitted, and from the further
 deration of the same, ask to be discharged.

P. DEAN WARNER,

Chairman.

port accepted and committee discharged.

the committee on public lands:

e committee on public lands, to whom was referred

ill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp
 by means of a road to be known as the Cass river and
 Fowl Bay State Road,

pectfully report that they have had the same under con-
 tion, and have directed me to report the same back to
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 e amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when
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 r consideration of the subject.

RICHARD WINSOR, *Chairman.*

accepted and committee discharged.

on of Mr. M. D. Howard,

ee concurred in the amendment made to the bill by
 tee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the payment of State road contracts in the county of Menominee,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the farther consideration of the subject.

R. WINSOR, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard

The House concurred in the amendment made to the^e bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on mines and minerals.

The committee on mines and minerals, to whom was referred

A bill for imposing a specific tax upon corporations and chartered companies, engaged in the business of mining, smelting or refining in this State,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

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bridges, roadways, &c., as contemplated in the act. Herewith is submitted a list of all the roads, giving a description of each, showing how much money and land have been expended on each, the number of unfinished contracts, name of the contractor, residence, date and duration of the contracts; also a map of the State exhibiting the different roads as surveyed and authorized by previous Legislatures.

Very respectfully,

CYRUS HEWITT,

Commissioner.

A LIST OF THE SWAMP LAND STATE ROADS.

Act 117, of 1859 and Amendment Act 155, of 1861.

Ionia and Houghton Lake.

From or near Ionia, in Ionia county, to Houghton Lake, in the county of Roscommon.

Partly let. No unfinished contracts.

Amount expended—cash, \$6,080 19; land, \$6,600.

Newaygo and Northport.

From the south line of T. 8 N., R. 12 W., through Newaygo to Northport.

Partly let.

Amount expended—cash, \$11,178 12; land, \$29,983 26.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract.
E. L. Gray,.....	Newaygo, Mich.	Sept. 10, 1863.	Dec. 1st, 1865.

Port Huron, Bay City and Lansing.

From Port Huron to Bay City, via Vassar, thence westerly to line between ranges 2 and 3 west; thence southerly to Lansing.

Partly let.

Amount expended—cash, \$35,015 50; land, \$45,973 29.

St. Mary's River and Mackinaw.

From St. Mary's Falls to the Straits of Mackinaw.

No unfinished contract.

Amount expended—cash, \$583,57; land, \$1,899 68.

Ontonagon and State Line.

Act 164, of 1863

From the village of Ontonagon, southerly to the State line.

None let.

Amount expended—cash, \$106 25.

Marquette and Bay de Noc.

From Marquette, on Lake Superior, to Little Bay de Noc.

All let.

Amount expended—cash, \$7,146 13; land, \$1,762 50.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract.
Albert Day,.....	Marquette, Mich.	Aug. 31, 1860.	Not limited.

L'Anse Bay and State Line.

From Houghton Village, by way of L'Anse Bay to the Wisconsin State line.

Amount expended—cash, \$602 37.

No unfinished contract.

Allegan, Muskegon and Traverse Bay.

From Paw Paw, in Van Buren county, via Allegan, Holland, Ferrysburg and Muskegon Village, thence north by the most westerly surveyed route made by the commissioners of said road in T. 12 N., R. 17 W., through the counties of Oceana, Mason, Manistee and Grand Traverse, to Grand Traverse Bay.

Partly let.

Amount expended—cash, \$9,061 73; land, \$23,170 02.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Contracts have been let on this road to the following persons:
John Cumminge, of Allegan county, Mich.; **Thomas M. Russell**, do.; **J. Wells**, Grand Rapids.

A part of which have been completed. But a large portion of the Road was let to **Peter Boyce**, of Chicago, and his contracts have all been cancelled by the Board of Control.

Dowagiac Swamp.

Act 217, of 1861.

From N. E. corner of sec. 36, T. 5 S., R. 16 W., thence north on sec. line 5 miles, to county line of Van Buren county.
 All let.

UNFINISHED CONTRACT.

Joel H. Smith, Cass county, Mich, contractor. Date of contract, Oct. 31, 1864. Expiration, Jan. 1, 1866.

Emmet and Grand Traverse.

From Little Traverse Bay to Traverse City.
 Nothing done.

Manistee and Leland.

From Manistee, in Manistee county, to Leland, in Lenawee county, via Frankfort.
 Nothing done.

Cottonwood Swamp.

From **Windsfield** village, in Lenawee county, to Ottawa Lake, county file.

Berlin and Georgetown.

From **Windsfield** village of Berlin in Ottawa county, via Haire's Georgetown, to south line of Jamestown.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract.
I. Y. Burnham,.....	Ottawa Co., Mich.	April 20, 1863.	May 1, 1865.
Ammi Burnham,.....	" "	June 29, 1863.	June 1, 1867.
John Haire,.....	" "	April 20, 1863.	May 1, 1865.
Hiram Jonnison,.....	" "	" "	" "
Myron Harris,.....	" "	" "	June 1, 1865.
P. H. Pilton,.....	" "	" "	" "
Myron Hedges,.....	" "	" "	" "

Muskegon and Cedar Springs.

From Muskegon village, in Muskegon county, to Cedar Springs, in Kent county.

All let.

Amount expended—cash, \$5 00; land, \$2,400 00.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract.
A. Thompson,.....	Grand Rapids, Mich.	Dec. 18, 1861.	May 1, 1864.

Englishville and Croton.

From Englishville, in Kent county, via Sextonville, to Croton, in Newaygo county.

Partly let.

Amount expended—cash, \$6 25; land, \$6,800 00.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract.
Chapman & Tuffemire,	Kent Co., Mich.	May 1st, 1862.	Sept. 1st, 1863.
Higby & Mitchell,	Newaygo Co., "	Oct. 1st, 1861.	July 1st, 1862.

Big Rapids and Grand Rapids.

From Big Rapids in Mecosta county, southerly to intersect with a road running from Greenville to Grand Rapids.

Partly let.

Amount expended—land, \$7,402 38.

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Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	*Expiration of Cont'd.
Alfred Clark,.....		June 27, 1862.	Dec. 1, 1863.
Wm. A. Alvord,.....		July 7, 1862.	" "
A. J. Leadbetter,.....		July 2, 1862.	" "
David H. Jerome,....		July 8, 1862.	" "
Lewis M. Clark,.....		June 27, 1862.	" "
Thomas Merrill,.....		July 7, 1862.	" "
Richard G. Hillier,....		June 27, 1862.	" "
Stephen W. Kling,....		July 7, 1862.	" "
G. F. Williams & Bros.		July 2, 1862.	" "
Daniel Bowman,.....		April 6, 1862.	Nov. 1, 1864.
James Garget,.....		June 27, 1862.	Dec. 1, 1863.
Wellington R. Burt,...		July 2, 1862.	" "
A. A. Brockway,.....		July 7, 1862.	" "
Amasa Rust,.....		" "	" "
Henry Weaver,.....		June 27, 1862.	" "
Samuel Smith,.....		June 5, 1863.	" "

*Commissioner thinks time should be extended.

Newaygo and Dayton.

From Newaygo, via Tremont and Dayton, to north line of Newaygo county, in T. 16 N., R. 14 W.

Partly let.

Amount expended—land, \$11,572 32.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract
G. R. Cameron and } Peter Civejay,....	Newaygo Co., Mich.,	August 3, 1863.	August 1, 1865.
E. L. Gray and John } W. Rochester,.....	" "	" "	August 4, 1867.
John W. Rochester,...	" "	Dec. 4, 1861.	Feb. 1, 1865.
E. Harrington,.....	" "	August 3, 1863.	August 3, 1864.

Hastings and Lowell.

From Hastings, in Barry county, to Lowell, in Kent county.

Nothing.

Portage River.

From village of Waterloo, in Jackson county, via White-wood Island and Portage saw mill, to mouth of Portage river, in township of Blackman, in said county.

Nothing done.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract.
Thomas Ray.....	Montcalm Co., Mich.	Feb. 24, 1864.	Nov. 1, 1864.
Jack son B. Barr,.....	" "	" "	Nov. 1, 1864.
Orry R. Hakes,.....	" "	" "	Nov. 1, 1864.

Greenbush and Gratiot.

From Greenbush, in Clinton county, north to the north line of T. 10 N., in Gratiot county.

Partly let.

Amount expended—cash, \$5 50.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract.
Adison Hayden,....	Gratiot Co., Mich.	Nov. 9, 1861.	Nov. 9, 1862.
Raymond Woodman ..	" "	" "	" "
John Washington....	Clinton "	Nov. 14, 1864.	Dec. 1, 1865.
Addison Hayden....	Gratiot "	" "	" "
Reuben Stanley	Clinton "	" "	" "
Benj. Woodman,.....	Gratiot "	" "	" "
Wm. Martin,.....	" "	" "	" 1, 1863.
Wm. G. French,.....	Clinton "	" "	" 1, 1863.
Edwin C. Hayden	Gratiot "	" "	" "
Orson Stoddard,.....	" "	" "	" "

Port Austin and Sanilac.

From Port Austin, in Huron county, southerly until it intersects the Lexington and Flint River State Road.

Partly let.

Amount expended—land, \$22,491 38.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract.
O. Adams.....	Calhoun Co., Mich.	August 6 1862.	August 6, 1863.
O. Adams.....	" "	August 6 1862.	Sept. 15 1863.
Theodore Luce,.....	Richmondville, M.	August 7 1862.	August 7 1863.
Wm. B. Stafford,.....	Not given.	Sept. 8, 1862.	Sept. 8, 1863.

Midland and Isabella.

From Midland city, in Midland county, to Mount Pleasant, in Isabella county.

Partly let.

Amount expended—land, \$1,450.

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Ionia and Vermontville.

From Ionia to Vermontville, in Eaton county.

All let.

Amount expended—cash, \$2 50; land, \$10,162 48.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract.
Rish, Tower & Beattie,	Ionia Co., Mich.	Nov. 29, 1861.	May 1, 1865.

New Haven and Fairfield.

From New Haven, in Shiawassee county, through Rush, to Fairfield, in said county.

All let.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract.
Alexander Skelton, ...	Shiawassee Co., Mich.	Oct. 7, 1862.	Nov. 1, 1864.

Branch State Road of Eaton and Barry Counties.

From section 35, T. 4 N., R. 3 W., westerly to intersect the State road running from the city of Lansing to the village of Hastings.

Nothing done.

Duncan, Alpena and Sauble River.

From Duncan, in Cheboygan county, to Sauble river, in Iosco county, via Alpena.

Partly let.

Amount expended—land, \$9,222 04.

Road in Monroe County.

From village of Vienna, south to State line.

Nothing done.

Road in Montee County.

From county line, on west side of said county, and on north side of River Raisin, in township of Summerfield, running to Petersburg, south through Summerville and Bedford, to the State line.

No papers on file.

Road in Monroe County.

From county line between Wayne and Monroe, at sec. corners of 3 and 4, T. 5 S., R. 9 E., running south on the sec. line across said township No. 6, and south through Frenchtown, until it intersects the plank road.

Nothing done.

Wisconsin and Lake Superior.

Act 227, of 1861, and amended Act 227, of 1862.

From the Wisconsin State line, near the mouth of the Menominee river, northerly to the southern line of T. 48 N., R. 27 W.

Nothing done.

Keweenaw Bay.

From the southern line of T. 48 N., R. 27 W., westerly to lake Michigamming, thence westerly to the waters of Keweenaw Bay, and thence to connect with the plank road in T. 50 N., R. 39 W.

Partly let.

UNFINISHED CONTRACT.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract.
Edwin Parsons,	New York city.	July 13, 1862.	Aug. 1, 1862.

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Troy and Southport

From Troy, on Beaver Island, in Manitou county, by the most eligible route on the eastern shore of the Island, to the light house thereon.

Nothing done.

Wisconsin and Lake Superior Extension.

From the northern terminus of the Wisconsin and Lake Superior State road, in T. 47 N, R. 27 W., easterly to intersect the Marquette and Bay de Nozen State road, at some point between Whetstonbrook and Carpe river.

Nothing done.

Marquette and Mineral Range.

From the lake shore, in village of Marquette, via Harlow's Mills, Switzer's Mill, to the mineral range in town 47 north, range 27 west.

Partly let.

UNFINISHED CONTRACTS.

Name of Contractor.	Residence.	Date of Contract.	Expiration of Contract.
Peter White,.....	Marquette Co., Mich.	Sept. 15, 1863.	October 1, 1864.

Chocola and Negaum.

From the village of Chocola, in Marquette county, westerly to the village of Negaum.

Nothing done.

Mineral Range State Road Extension.

Act 153, of 1863.

From line between counties of Ontonagon and Houghton, at the point where the Mineral Range State road intersects said line, thence to the village of Ontonagon.

Nothing done.

Grand Rapids and Muskegon.

(Re-survey of part.) Act 233, of 1863.

Through townships of Wright and Chester, in Ottawa county.

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A State Road.

Act 45, of 1884.

From, at or near the S. E. corner of sec. 31, T. 10 N.
E., north to Pinno Bog in Huron county.

Nothing done.

Alma and Clinton.

Act 46, of 1884.

From a point on north line of Isabella county, through Isabella City, Alma, Maple Rapids, and intersecting the Detroit & Milwaukee Railroad at or near Dallas station, thence easterly, through Westphalia, to N. E. corner sec. 16, in township of Eagle, thence south to south line of Clinton county.

Nothing done.

Genesee and Tuscola.

Act 51, of 1884.

From Farrandville, in Genesee county, via Tuscola, thence north to the Goodrich and Saginaw State road.

Nothing done.

East Saginaw and Junction.

Act 50, of 1884.

From S. E. $\frac{1}{4}$ sec. 18, T. 12 N., R. 5 E., east to intersect Vassar and Bay City State road, thence north-easterly, to N. E. corner of sec. 13, where the Watrousville State road intersects the county line.

Nothing done.

Ionia and Smyrna.

Act 55, of 1884.

From Ionia to Smyrna.

Nothing done.

White Rock and Bingham.

Act 71, of 1884.

From White Rock, in Huron county, to the N. E. corner of the township of Bingham, in said county, thence to intersect the Saginaw and Bay City State road.

Nothing done.

motion of Mr. Winsor,

the communication was ordered printed, and referred to the committee on public lands.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 28, 1865. }

The Speaker *pro tem.* of the House of Representatives:

I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 24, entitled

A bill to provide for county superintendents of schools, and amend certain sections of the primary school laws, and to amend sections 71, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89 and 90, of chapter 78, of the Compiled Laws;

which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators present, and has been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 28, 1865. }

The Speaker of the House of Representatives:

I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following entitled bills:

1. House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Handy, in the county of Livingston, for the year 1864;

2. House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the

township of Seneca, in the county of Lenawee, for the year 1864.

8. House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Warren, in the county of Macomb;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The several bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 28, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 3, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of William Dingman;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Morton offered the following:

Whereas, The Judges of the Supreme Court of the State, have this day made a decision on the soldiers' suffrage law, credit-

able alike to their independence and ability as jurists; therefore,

Resolved, That 3,000 copies of the opinions of the judges, on said law, be published for the use of the members of this House, for circulation in the army and among the people.

Mr. Morton demanded the yeas and nays on the adoption of the resolution;

The demand was seconded.

Mr. Warner moved that the resolution be referred to the committee on printing;

Mr. Look demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Jenness,	Mr. Runyan,
A. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Seymour,
G. W. Allen,	Keeler,	Shier,
Bayley,	Laing,	L. Smith,
Ball,	Landon,	Stewart,
Beach,	Lapham,	Thayer,
Boies,	Lewis,	Thomas,
Bonine,	Luther,	Van Vleet,
Brockway,	Mallary,	Warner,
Camburn,	Maxwell,	Welch,
Carleton,	McKay,	Wendell,
Clements,	McKernan,	White,
Cobb,	Mickley,	Wilcox,
Dort,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Dunlap,	Nixon,	Winsor,
Fisher,	O'Grady,	Woodman,
Forbes,	Osborn,	Woodruff,
Graham,	Pack,	Woodward,
Green,	Packard,	Woodworth,
Haynes,	Phillips,	Yawkey,
O. F. Howard,	Reed,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,

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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Haire,	Mr. Miles,
Bond,	Horton,	Morton,
Chipman,	G. C. Jones,	Nowland,
Colwell,	Kenney,	Pitts,
Dussau,	Look,	Schars,
Gies,	May,	Swift,

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Mr. Dort gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution to amend article 7, of the Constitution of this State, so as to extend the elective franchise to soldiers that are in the field and from their place of residence;

Also,

A bill to amend section 24, of act number 120, of the session laws of 1861, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to organize the Michigan Asylum for the Insane, and more effectually to provide for the care, maintenance and recovery of the insane, approved March 11th, 1861.

Mr. Swift moved to take from the table House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution to secure the repeal or modification of the passport system;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Woodman moved that the joint resolution be re-committed to the committee on federal relations;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Seymour gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for an appropriation of money for the use of the Reform School.

Mr. Williams gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill better defining the duties of State Board of Auditors.

Mr. Thomas gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section one, (1,) of chapter fifty-four, (54,) of the compiled laws, in reference to the duties of supervisors.

Mr. Van Vleet offered the following:

Resolved, That hereafter the Clerk of this House is hereby authorized and directed to procure one thousand (instead of fifteen hundred) copies of the Journal for equal distribution among the members and officers of this House;

Mr. Welch moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "fifteen hundred" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "two thousand."

On motion of Mr. Woodman,
The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Woodward gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the First Baptist Church and Society of Brooklyn, Jackson county, to convey certain cemetery grounds;

Also,
A bill to change the boundary line between the townships of Napoleon and Columbia, in Jackson county.

Mr. G. O. Jones gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill asking for a grant of State swamp lands for building a bridge across the Ontonagon River, near its mouth;

Also,
A bill asking for a grant of State swamp lands for the constructing of a State road from some point on the Mineral Range, near the Wiconnong Mine, to the village of Franklin.

Mr. Fisher gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the collection of certain moneys in the 3d ward of the city of Jackson, to repay advances made by John H. Emmerson and William Tharp, for the purpose of paying bounties to volunteers.

Mr. Hall moved to take from the table, House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to amend section 636, of the compiled laws, being chapter 15, relative to the compensation of superintending the census and statistics of the State; which was taken up and reported by the committee on State Affairs; and the motion prevailed.

Mr. Mallory moved that the bill be re-committed to the committee on State Affairs; and the motion prevailed.

Mr. Warner moved to amend the motion to re-commit, by striking out in

the third line, the words "and fifty cents;" and by striking out in the third and fourth lines, the words "to the number of fifteen hundred;" and by striking out in the 4th and 5th lines, the words "and for all over fifteen hundred he shall be allowed at the rate of one dollar per hundred;"

Mr. Warner's amendment was not agreed to.

Mr. Mallery's motion to re-commit the bill to the committee on State affairs, was agreed to.

Mr. Monroe moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to pass House joint resolution No. 15, entitled

Joint resolution providing for the distribution of Professor Winchell's report of the geological survey for the year 1861, to the officers and members of the present Legislature;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being upon the passage of the joint resolution,

Mr. M. D. Howard asked the unanimous consent of the House to amend the same by adding the following thereto: "each member who shall receive a copy of said report shall pay the sum of 25 cents therefor;

Objected to by Mr. Williams.

The joint resolution was then not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,	Mr. Kenney,	Mr. Schars,
G. W. Allen,	Lewis,	Swift,
Bond,	Mallery,	Welch,
Camburn,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Carleton,	Miles,	Wilcox,
Cobb,	Monroe,	Williams,
Fisher,	Newcomb,	Woodruff,
Graham,	Osborn,	Woodward,
Haynes,	Pack,	Yawkey,
G. C. Jones,	Phillips,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,

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NAYS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haire,	Mr. Packard,
Bayley,	M. D. Howard,	Pitts,
Ball,	O. F. Howard,	Reed,

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ting to the Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion, and the Albion Female Collegiate Institute, approved February 25, 1861.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Clements, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill relative to the public schools of the city of Ann Arbor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Woodman, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the incorporation of associations engaged in the publication of periodicals, books and other matter.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Van Vleet, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 6, of act 216, of session laws of 1861, being an act to provide for the drainage of swamps, marshes and other low lands.

Referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Gies, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the 6th ward of the city of Detroit, Wayne county.

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Yawkey, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act disposing of certain grants of land made to the State of Michigan, for railroad purposes, by an act of Congress, approved June 3, 1856.

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

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Mr. Aitken,	Mr. M. D. Howard,	Mr. Phillips,
A. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Pitts,
G. W. Allen,	Jenness,	Reed,
Bayley,	J. H. Jones,	Runyan,
Ball,	G. C. Jones,	Schars,
Bartow,	Keeler,	Seymour,
Beach,	Kenney,	Shier,
Boies,	Laing,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Landon,	Stewart,
Brockway,	Lapham,	Swift,
Camburn,	Lewis,	Thayer,
Carleton,	Look,	Thomas,
Chipman,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,
Clements,	May,	Warner,
Cobb,	McKay,	Welch,
Colwell,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dort,	Mickley,	White,
Dunlap,	Miles,	Wilcox,
Dussean,	Monroe,	Williams,
Fisher,	Morton,	Winsor,
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Woodman,
Gies,	Nixon,	Woodruff,
Graham,	Nowland,	Woodward,
Green,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,
Haire,	Osborn,	Yawkey,
Haynes,	Pack,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,
Horton,	Packard,	80
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No 38, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 8, of act No. 157, of the session laws of 1859,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Dort asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by adding a new section thereto, to stand as section one, as follows:

"Sec. 1. *The People of the State of Michigan enact*, That section 8, of act No. 257, of the session laws of 1859, as amended by an act entitled 'an act to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 8, of act No. 157, of the session laws of 1859,' be amended so as to read as follows:"

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. O. F. Howard,	Mr. Phillips,
A. Allen,	Jenness,	Pitts,
Bayley,	J. H. Jones,	Reed,
Bartow,	G. C. Jones,	Runyan,
Beach,	Keeler,	Schars,
Boies,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Bond,	Laing,	Shier,
Bonine,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
Brockway,	Lewis,	Stewart,
Carleton,	Look,	Swift,
Chipman,	Mallary,	Thayer,
Clements,	May,	Thomas,
Cobb,	McKay,	Van Vleet,
Colwell,	McKernan,	Warner,
Dort,	Mickley,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	Miles,	White,
Dusseau,	Morton,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Forbes,	Nixon,	Woodman,
Graham,	Nowland,	Woodruff,
Green,	O'Grady,	Woodward,
Haire,	Osborn,	Woodworth,
Haynes,	Pack,	Yawkey,
Horton,	Packard,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,
M. D. Howard,		78

NAYS.

Mr. G. W. Allen,	Mr. Camburn,	Mr. Welch,
Ball,	Monroe,	Winsor,
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Title agreed to.

Mr. Monroe gave notice that he would, on Monday, move to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed.

Mr. Cobb moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon;

Mr. Welch moved that the House adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

The motion of Mr. Cobb to take a recess did not prevail.

Mr. Horton moved that the House adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

House bill No. 36, entitled

A bill for the relief of Menominee county,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Jenness,	Mr. Pitts,
A. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Reed,
G. W. Allen,	G. C. Jones,	Runyan,
Bayley,	Keeler,	Schars,
Ball,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Beach,	Landon,	Shier,
Boies,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Lewis,	Stewart,
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Brockway,	Mallary,	Thayer,
Camburn,	Maxwell,	Thomas,
Carleton,	May,	Van Vleet,
Chipman,	McKay,	Warner,
Clements,	McKernan,	Welch,
Cobb,	Mickley,	Wendell,
Colwell,	Miles,	White,
Dort,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Dunlap,	Morton,	Williams,
Fisher,	Newcomb,	Winsor,
Forbes,	Nixon,	Woodman,
Graham,	Nowland,	Woodruff,
Green,	O'Grady,	Woodward,
Haire,	Osborn,	Woodworth,
Haynes,	Pack,	Yawkey,
Horton,	Packard,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,
O. F. Howard,	Phillips,	77

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Mr. Bartow, Mr. Dusseau, 2

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Ecorse, in the county of Wayne,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. O. F. Howard,	Mr. Philips,
A. Allen,	Jenness,	Pitts,
G. W. Allen,	J. H. Jones.	Reed,
Bayley,	G. C. Jones,	Runyan,
Ball,	Keeler,	Schars,
Bartow,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Beach,	Landon,	Shier,
Boies,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Lewis,	Stewart,
Bonine,	Look,	Swift,
Brockway,	Mallary,	Thayer,
Camburn,	Maxwell,	Thomas,
Carleton,	May,	Van Vleet,
Chipman,	McKay,	Warner,
Clements,	McKernan,	Welch,
Cobb,	Mickley,	Wendell,
Colwell,	Miles,	White,
Dort,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Dunlap,	Morton,	Williams,
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Fisher,	Nixon,	Woodman,
Forbes,	Nowland,	Woodruff,
Graham,	O'Grady,	Woodward,
Green,	Osborn,	Woodworth,
Haire,	Pack,	Yawkey,
Hayden,	Packard,	Speaker, pro tempore,
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Agreed to.
 Motion of Mr. Dort,
 vote of two-thirds of all the members elect,
 to take immediate effect.
 Motion of Mr. Dort,
 adjourned until Monday morning.

Lansing, Monday, January 20, 1855.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Burns.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Mr. O'Grady.

Mr. Wendell asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. O'Grady for an indefinite time.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Morton: memorial of J. C. Bailey, asking to be restored to his rights as a member of this Legislature;

Mr. Warner moved to lay the memorial on the table;

Mr. M. D. Howard demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Keeler,	Mr. L. Smith,
A. Allen,	Kenney,	Thayer,
G. W. Allen,	Laing,	Thomas,
Bayley,	Landon,	Tupper,
Ball,	Lapham,	Van Vleet,
Boies,	Lewis,	Warner,
Camburn,	Mallery,	Welch,
Carleton,	Mickley,	White,
Chipman,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Cobb,	Pack,	Williams,
Forbes,	Packard,	Winsor,
Graham,	Phillips,	Woodman,
Haynes,	Rauyan,	Woodruff,
O. F. Howard,	Seymour,	Woodward,
Jenness,	Shier,	Yawkey,
J. H. Jones,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Haire,	Mr. Newcomb,
Beach,	Horton,	Nowland,
Bond,	M. D. Howard,	Osborn,
Brockway,	G. C. Jones,	Pitte,
Colwell,	Look,	W. T. Smith,
Dort,	May,	Stewart,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Swift,

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Speaker *pro tem.*,
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Pending the announcement of the vote,
Messrs. Bonine, Clements, Fisher, Luther, McKay, Schars
and Woodworth, asked to be and were excused from voting.

Mr. Chipman moved to reconsider the vote by which the me-
morial was laid on the table;

Mr. Williams moved to indefinitely postpone the motion of
Mr. Chipman to reconsider;

Mr. Mallary moved to lay the motion of Mr. Williams on the
table;

Mr. Chipman demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion did not prevail,
yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Lapham,
Mallary,
Mickley,
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Mr. Thomas,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
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Williams,
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NAYS.

Mr. M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Landon,
Lewis,
Look,
Maxwell,
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McKernan,
Miles,
Morton,
Newcomb,
Nowland,

Mr. Osborn,
Pack,
Pitts,
Runyan,
Seymour,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
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Tupper,
Wendell,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Speaker *pro tem.*,

Pending the announcement of the vote,
 On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,
 Messrs. Bayley, Ball and Packard were excused from voting.
 The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Williams to in-
 definitely postpone,
 Mr. Chipman demanded the yeas and nays;
 The demand was seconded, and the motion did not prevail,
 by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Landon,	Mr. Thayer,
G. W. Allen,	Lapham,	Thomas,
Boies,	Lewis,	Tupper,
Camburn,	Mallary,	Van Fleet,
Carleton,	Mickley,	Warner,
Graham,	Monroe,	White,
Haynes,	Pack,	Williams,
Jenness,	Phillips,	Winsor,
Keeler,	Shier,	Woodman,
Kenney,	L. Smith,	Yawkey,
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NAYS.

Mr. A. Allen,	Mr. Haire,	Mr. Nowland,
Bartow,	Horton,	Pitts,
Beach,	M. D. Howard,	Runyan,
Bond,	O. F. Howard,	Seymour,
Brockway,	J. H. Jones,	W. T. Smith,
Chipman,	G. C. Jones,	Stewart,
Cobb,	Look,	Swift,
Colwell,	Maxwell,	Welch,
Dort,	May,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Wilcox,
Dusseau,	Miles,	Woodruff,
Forbes,	Morton,	Woodward,
Gies,	Newcomb,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,
Green,		

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Pending the announcement of the vote,
 Mr. M. D. Howard asked to be excused from voting;
 Which request was not granted.
 Mr. M. D. Howard then voted as recorded above.
 The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Chipman, to re-
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PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

The question before the House first being upon the motion of Mr. Chipman, to reconsider the vote by which the memorial of Mr. J. C. Bailey, claiming a seat in this House, was laid on the table,

Mr. Chipman demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. G. W. Allen,	Mr. Green,	Mr. Miles,
Bartow,	Haire,	Morton,
Beach,	Horton,	Newcomb,
Bond,	M. D. Howard,	Nixon,
Brockway,	O. F. Howard,	Nowland,
Carleton,	J. H. Jones,	Osborn,
Chipman,	G. C. Jones,	Pitts,
Colwell,	Look,	Seymour,
Dort,	Mallary,	Stewart,
Dunlap,	May,	Swift,
Dusseau,	McKay,	Wendell,
Forbes,	McKernan,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,
Gies,	Mickley,	83

NAYS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Lapham,	Mr. Tupper,
A. Allen,	Lewis,	Van Vleet,
Bayley,	Maxwell,	Warner,
Boies,	Monroe,	Welch,
Camburn,	Pack,	White,
Graham,	Phillips,	Wilcox,
Haynes,	Runyan,	Williams,
Jenness,	Shier,	Winsor,
Keeler,	L. Smith,	Woodman,
Kenney,	W. T. Smith,	Woodruff,
Laing,	Thayer,	Woodward,
Landon,	Thomas,	Yawkey,
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The question then recurring on the motion to lay the memorial on the table,

The motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Chipman,

The memorial was referred to the committee on elections.

By Mr. Yawkey: petition of G. V. Babcock and 13 others,

asking that certain lands be detached from the limits of Saginaw City, and attached to the town of Saginaw;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Packard: petition of H. Price and 49 others, of the township of Maulius, county of Allegan, asking the Legislature to enact a law whereby said township may raise a tax to refund certain moneys heretofore paid volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Woodward: petition of O. C. Whipple and 100 others, citizens and tax payers of the township of Leoni, Jackson county, asking the passage of a law enabling said township to raise by tax, a certain amount of money, to refund moneys loaned for bounty purposes;

Also: remonstrance of James Holley and 64 others, tax payers of the township of Napoleon, Jackson county, against refunding moneys for bounty purposes;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Woodward: petition of C. B. Wade and 60 others, citizens of the townships of Napoleon and Columbia, asking a change in the boundary line between said townships;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Jenness: petition of 54 citizens of the township of Imlay, Lapeer county, asking the Legislature to legalize the action of the township board of said township of Imlay, in issuing bonds to aid in obtaining volunteers on the call of the President of the United States for volunteers, in July last;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Horton: remonstrance of P. Chamberlin and 129 others, against the passage of Senate bill No. 14, by the House;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Woodworth: petition of Daniel L. Crossman, A. A. Dunning, James M. Royce, and 20 others, citizens and tax payers of the township of Ingham, relative to war bounties;

Also: petition of Henry B. Hawley, E. H. Angell, John Earl, and 70 others, citizens and tax payers of the township of Banker Hill, relative to war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Maxwell: resolutions of the board of supervisors of Bay county, for leave to loan money to aid in the construction of the Bay City and Midland plank road;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Welch: petition of W. R. Seaven, George D. Kellogg, and 27 others, that the village plat of the village of Hubbardston, in the county of Ionia, as drawn by William Pitt, be set aside, and the late plat drawn by S. C. Alderman take place of the old plat;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Welch: petition of W. R. Seaven, Geo. W. Germain and 70 others, relative to a town bounty for said township;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Woodman: petition of Thomas L. Stevens, Charles M. Morrill, and 82 other citizens of Van Buren county, asking for the passage of an act to lay out and establish a State road in said county;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the minority of the committee on federal relations:

The undersigned, minority of the committee on federal relations, begs leave respectfully to report:

That it has been the custom for several years, in most, if not all of the State Legislatures, to pass resolutions on the state of the Union. The object of this action has not always been patriotic. The motive, in too many cases, has been to sustain party. For this purpose, they are usually drawn by the party in power, and made to speak partisan sentiment. To some extent, the undersigned believes the resolutions now before the House, by a majority of the committee, have this object in view. Of this he will not complain, for precedents have sanctioned the custom. But if more statesmanlike views are to obtain on this subject, by discarding partisan action and inaugurating a more enlarged and patriotic policy, better calculated to unite all parties in common sentiment for the sacred cause of the

Union, the time has come for Michigan, the first State to organize the present dominant party, to set the noble example to her sister States of the Union.

The majority report expresses the opinion that Providence has determined "that this rebellion shall see no end, except upon the basis of universal, unconditional and perpetual freedom to all people, whatever may be their color." If this be so, and the sudden emancipation by war of three or four millions of human beings from bondage to freedom, is to be mutually beneficial to both races, we shall have abundant reason to thank Providence for a result so unexpected and miraculous. From time immemorial, the unfortunate race enslaved have occupied a position of servitude both in their native land and in all other nations. If American slavery has caused results by which their condition is to be entirely changed, the event, while it may not sanction slavery as Divinely appointed, will be equally astonishing to the world, even in our days of progress. It will prove that slavery in this country, under the direction of Providence, has prepared the way for liberty to a people who have, almost since the days of Canaan, been treated "as persons having no rights a white man is bound to respect." The undersigned, however, cannot so view this important subject. While he believes in an overruling Providence, he must believe that men, as free agents, can settle this war and still retain slavery until the enslaved are prepared for freedom. In their present condition the most of them are not prepared for it, and it is even a question whether Christian philanthropy, or sound political policy, will justify immediate and violent emancipation. We should not throw them upon the charity of the world in such a helpless and hopeless condition as they are. If we do, we should be prepared to sustain them with our charities, for we cannot expect the whites of the South to care for them as we shall dictate, or according to our visionary theories on the subject of slavery. Emancipation will merely change the slavery question to the negro question, and it is difficult at this time to determine which will demand the greater

sacrifice and consideration, and challenge most the philanthropy of the country. The undersigned cannot, therefore, with the majority, urge the "freeing of the slaves at once." He believes that the best interests of both races will be promoted by the policy of gradual emancipation by the States burdened with the institution.

The majority report embraces the common fallacy that slavery caused the war. Political ambition made use of the slavery question as a hobby for partizan ascendancy. In the controversy about slavery, by northern and southern parties, that state of excited and bitter feeling was created in the public mind which culminated in war. In all this the abuse of the freedom of speech, and the disregard of law, often under pretence of respect for the higher law, in both sections of the Union, did far more to bring this unjustifiable war upon the nation than the mere existence of slavery, which, without this controversy, might have remained for many years to come, as it has in years past, undisturbed and harmless, until, by the inevitable laws of population pressing upon it, the institution would yield without war or bloodshed, quietly to the demands and progress of freedom.

In this bitter controversy, which the undersigned believes caused the war, it is to be regretted that so many of the ambassadors of the Prince of Peace were induced to engage. Without their aid it is extremely doubtful whether the nation could have been so alienated in feeling as to rush madly into such a struggle as the one in which we are now engaged. The history of past ages should have warned the people that, however desirable and necessary the clergy are as spiritual guides, as political leaders they have ever been a scourge to mankind. In the name of the Higher Law in the days of the crusades, they marked their pathway from Europe to Asia with the blood and bones of more than a million martyrs, and it was in the name of God and Humanity that they controlled the mob which nailed the Savior of men to the cross. In their political action they are very apt to mingle blind and plausible theory with re-

of recent growth. Although differences of sentiment prevailed then as now, there was none of this dissension, none of this hostility, none of this intense bitterness now so rife, in the early days of the Republic. The division into North and South—into Free States and Slave States, was gradual. At the outset all the States but one were slaveholding. The Northern States, yielding in the course of time to the pressure alike of their convictions and their interests, relieved themselves of the burden. The policy of emancipation by slow, safe and wise methods, was the policy of the country, and was making its way steadily and against greater and greater objections toward the southern boundary of the Union. As late as 1832, the State of Virginia was earnestly discussing the best practical methods of freeing her slaves. At just about that time, while several of the Slave States were turning their attention to the accomplishment of the same great object, the Abolition movement struck in from the North. Starting from the mild and charitable Christian principle, that any man who suffered himself, under any circumstances, to own a slave, was a pirate and a robber; that every slave had the absolute, indefeasible right to assert his freedom, and to kill any man who should resist his attempt to take it, these societies entered upon their grand crusade against Slavery in the Southern States. The first effect of this movement was to startle and arrest the Southern States in their work of emancipation. They found themselves in danger of being suddenly crushed and buried beneath the walls they were endeavoring gradually and safely to remove. They found their slaves stimulated and urged to grasp by force, what they were trying to give them as a boon, and in such a manner as to make it a boon worth possessing. They found themselves compelled to look out for their own safety in presence of this new and terrible foe. The incendiary appeals of Northern Abolitionism, circulated in speeches, in pamphlets, through the mails and by emissaries and agents everywhere, compelled them to assume an attitude of self-defense."

Mr. Raymond then speaks of the John Brown raid, and after

bearance, so necessary to harmony in a vast country like ours, with so many interests and pursuits, shall again distinguish our statesmen in the administration of the government. Then we may hope that the people in all sections of the country, left free and unmolested in their right to promote their own interests in their own way, subject only to the constitution and laws, will see no State out of the Union, and provide, as speedily as possible, for a time when there shall not be a rebel or a slave in the Union.

Nor can the minority agree with the majority report in wishing to see half a million of "sable Unionists," as the blacks are called, "in the ranks of the Union army." With such a force, made up of men in their condition, subject to obedience and servitude, under the direction of an ambitious chief, ready to follow his ideas and wishes, as a higher law, he might "pass the Rubicon," and overthrow the liberties of his country. It might prove much easier to enlist such an army than to dispose of it after it had been drilled in the work of obedience and despotism. If wanted "in conquering and holding the rich plains and fertile bottom lands of the rebel States," as the majority report claims, their services will be the more dangerous, as these coveted possessions will not be worth their cost in treasure, and blood, if they are to be held only by the sword.

The majority report endorses the Proclamation of Emancipation, which the administration itself regards as unconstitutional. At this very moment we are called upon, by a vote of three-fourths of the States, to so change the Constitution as to make it sanction this very proclamation, lest it shall be pronounced invalid by the courts. Instead of making the proclamation conform to the law, the object is to make the law conform to this executive act, and make even the restoration of the Union depend upon its success. In this policy the minority cannot agree, as he is for the Union, with or without slavery, as the people, and not the executive, by usurpation, shall decide. It is difficult to see how the advocates of this policy can claim to be Union men. The President is asked not to withdraw the

proclamation. The advice is unnecessary. For the first time in our history the President places himself above the will of the people and the decision of the courts, and refuses to obey them if they shall determine that executive duty requires him to return to slavery any person freed by the proclamation, even if it shall be determined by the people, or the legal tribunal made by the people to determine the validity of his acts, that the interests of some, if not all of these freed men, and the interests of society itself, will be best promoted by placing such persons under the direction of masters, the President of the United States, the servant of the courts and the people, refuses to discharge a duty required by the laws of the land.

The majority report says: "We find no language fully to express our abhorrence of the rebel barbarities." The report then recommends the President to resort to just such "barbarities," by way of retaliation, which would often subject the innocent to barbarous punishment. No doubt barbarities are common enough. War itself is barbarous, and brings with it in all countries, civilized and uncivilized, crimes and enormities enough to make humanity shudder. It is extremely doubtful whether retaliation, in the manner proposed, would remedy these horrible crimes, or give strength to, or confidence in the Union cause. We have evidence that humane and Christian policy is often best to disarm a foe, especially when the contrary policy punishes the innocent equally with the guilty. Violence provokes violence. This is what made the war, and if resorted to generally in its prosecution, in both sections, it may protract it, making us subject to the control of lawless guerrilla bands, and to the anarchy which destroyed the Republic of Mexico.

The majority report "ardently hopes for the day when we shall be both a government without a king, and a republic without a slave." The undersigned cheerfully coincides in this wish, although he is not yet ready thus to acknowledge the President as a king, even if, at times, he may assume kingly power.

The minority will hail with unbounded pleasure the day when, by the triumphs of our noble armies in the field, and the wisdom of statesmanship in our national councils, peace and union shall be restored to our common country. Let a wise and truly national policy be inaugurated and once more we shall have a united and happy people, we may hope, to learn war no more. We want the Union which God and our fathers gave us, the Constitution which they ordained, and then, moving onward to greatness as a nation, we shall cherish, as our fathers did, love for all the States in our great continental republic, and be animated as they were, with common hopes, sympathies and interests, for generations, after slavery is known in our history as an institution of the past.

The undersigned herewith transmits the following resolutions, as a substitute for those submitted by the majority, and recommends their adoption:

Whereas, By the madness and folly of men, our country has become involved in a fearful rebellion, which threatens the very existence of the Union, and the destruction of the principle of self-government;

And whereas, This gigantic rebellion is without justification before an impartial world, and unnecessary for the accomplishment of any good, or the remedy of any evil; therefore,

1. *Resolved*, (the Senate concurring,) That we hereby reaffirm our declaration of unswerving devotion to the government of the United States, and we hereby declare, that while our hearts are made sad by the terrible ravages of war, our judgments fully approve of the vigorous prosecution thereof, for the life of the nation, until there shall be an unqualified submission to the authority of the government.

2. *Resolved*, That war is a terrible calamity to any nation, and can be justified only to uphold just laws and good government among men, and that for this purpose this war should be vigorously prosecuted by the administration in power, and be abandoned for an honorable peace the moment these ends are accomplished by obedience on the part of the rebels to the con-

of said boys, is all that could be reasonably asked of them, and would respectfully report back said memorial with the accompanying joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of William Woodhouse and Charles W. Butler,

And recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. M. SWIFT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred a resolution of the board of supervisors of Cass county, relative to the increase of the pay of township officers, would respectfully report the same back, without action, and recommend that it be referred to the committee on State affairs.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the recommendations of the committee.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 24, being

A bill to provide for county superintendents of schools, and to amend certain sections of the primary school laws, and to repeal sections 74, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89 and 90, of chapter 78 of compiled laws,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred

A bill relative to the public schools in the city of Ann Arbor,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act amendatory of the several acts relating to the Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion, and the Albion Female Collegiate Institute, approved February 25, 1861,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids," approved February 10, 1859, and further to amend "an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations :

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act disposing of certain grants of land made in the State of Michigan for railroad purposes, by an act of Congress, approved June 3, 1856,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to legalize the action of the corporate authorities of the city of Ann Arbor, in issuing bonds or certificates of indebtedness, to aid in the erection of a suitable building for the use of the medical department of the University of Michigan, and to provide for the payment thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under con-

and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. WINSOR, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 6, of act 216, of session laws of 1861, being an act to provide for the drainage of swamps, marshes and other low lands,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. WINSOR, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill granting forty acres of swamp land to John Mauren, of Clinton county, Michigan, and authorizing the Commissioner of the State Land Office to issue deed,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. WINSOR, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. WINSOR, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of State roads and ditches,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. WINSOR, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. L. Smith,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred House bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the sixth ward of the city of Detroit, in the county of Wayne,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

The special committee to whom was referred House bill No. 41, being

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute therefor, recommending that the substitute be adopted, and that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The bill was then laid on the table, and ordered printed.

The committee on conference, to whom was referred the disagreement of the two Houses on House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the officers and members of the Legislature for the year 1865,

Have considered the same, and respectfully recommend that the said bill be amended by inserting after the word "newspapers," in the eighth line of section 2, the words: "The compensation of the Secretary of the Senate, and of the Clerk of the House of Representatives, shall be three dollars a day each, for actual attendance during the session, and ten cents for every mile actually traveled in going to and returning from the place of meeting, on the usually traveled route. Also, by striking out the word "Secretary," in the eighth line of section 2; the words "Clerk and," in the ninth line of said section 2; and all from and after the word "session," in the thirteenth line, to and including the word "route," in the fourteenth line

of said section 2. They also recommend that the Senate recede from its amendment to said bill, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass.

Your committee believe that the adoption of this recommendation will give effect to the expressed desire of the Senate, not to give additional mileage, and of the House, not to pay a greater sum per diem, to its officers, than has heretofore been allowed and paid.

DARIUS MONROE,

Chairman of House Committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that the House concur in the amendments to the bill recommended by the committee;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. O. F. Howard,	Mr. Phillips,
A. Allen,	Jenness,	Pitts,
G. W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Reed,
Bayley,	G. C. Jones,	Runyan,
Ball,	Keeler,	Schars,
Bartew,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Beach,	Laing,	Shier,
Boies,	Landon,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Lapham,	W. T. Smith,
Bonine,	Lewis,	Stewart,
Brockway,	Look,	Swift,
Camburn,	Luther,	Thayer,
Chipman,	Mallary,	Thomas,
Clements,	Maxwell,	Tupper,
Cobb,	May,	Warner,
Colwell,	McKay,	Welch,
Dort,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	Mickley,	White,
Dusseau,	Miles,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Monroe,	Williams,
Forbes,	Morton,	Winsor,
Gies,	Newcomb,	Woodman,
Graham,	Nixon,	Woodruff,
Green,	Nowland,	Woodward,
Haire,	Osborn,	Woodworth,
Haynes,	Pack,	Yawkey,
Horton,	Packard,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,
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The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The special committee to whom was referred the printing of the Governor's message, in the German language,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report that they would recommend the printing of two thousand copies; that is to say, one thousand copies to be printed and bound in phamplet form, in each of the two German printing offices in the city of Detroit, the amount to be paid in each office not to exceed one hundred and thirty-five dollars.

The printing of the message in the Holland language, the committee instructed me to report the same back without recommendation.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

PAUL GIES,

Chairman of the Special Committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

The recommendations of the committee were concurred in.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 28, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 3, entitled

A bill to authorize school district No. 2, of the township of Lawrence, in the county of Van Buren, to issued bonds;

2. House bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to authorize the State Treasurer to burn and destroy the notes of the late Government Stock Bank, of Ann Arbor, now remaining in his office, and the notes of other banks in like condition;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 28, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to amend section 2, of act 54, of the laws of 1861, approved February 15, 1861, relative to foreign insurance companies;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 28, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Grosse Point, in the county of Wayne, for the year 1864;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 28, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolutions:

1. House joint resolution No. 4, entitled

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of lands by Congress for the construction of a wagon road from Eskanawba to Sault Ste Marie;

2. House joint resolution No. 6, entitled

Joint resolution in relation to a certain claim in the county of Monroe;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolutions were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 28, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 20, entitled

A bill to authorize the Governor of this State to convey certain lands;

Which the Senate has amended by striking out of line 12, in section 1, the words "acquired," and "by this," and by inserting, before the word "State," the words "now held by the;"

Also, by adding the following proviso to the section: "*Provided*, The transfer to said Harvey Jones does not conflict with the deed of trust from said Hobart and wife;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOMAS H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Cobb moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. M. D. Howard,	Mr. Packard,
A. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Phillips,
G. W. Allen,	Jenness,	Runyan,
Bayley,	J. H. Jones,	Schars,
Ball,	G. C. Jones,	Seymour,
Bartow,	Keeler,	Shier,
Beach,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Boies,	Landon,	W. T. Smith,
Bond,	Lapham,	Stewart,
Bonine,	Lewis,	Swift,
Brockway,	Look,	Thayer,
Camburn,	Luther,	Thomas,
Chipman,	Mallary,	Tupper,
Clements,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,
Cobb,	May,	Warner,
Colwell,	McKay,	Welch,
Dort,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	Mickley,	White,
Dusseau,	Miles,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Monroe,	Williams,
Forbes,	Morton,	Woodman,
Gies,	Newcomb,	Woodruff,

Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Haynes,
Horton,

Nixon,
Nowland,
Osborn,
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Woodworth,
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The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 28, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No 37, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sanilac, in the county of Sanilac, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of the taxes of said township;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by inserting the word “as,” after the word “declared,” in the third line of the first section; also, by inserting after the word “legal,” in the third line of said section, the following: “as though all the descriptions of land in said roll had been entered therein before the same was delivered to the township treasurer, and also as legal and valid as though the supervisor had not changed and corrected said roll after the same was delivered to the township treasurer, as aforesaid;”

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a two-thirds vote of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Brockway moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. O. F. Howard,	Mr. Phillips,
A. Allen,	Jenness,	Pitta,
G. W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Reed,
Bayley,	G. C. Jones,	Runyan,
Ball,	Keeler,	Schars,
Bartow,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Beach,	Laing,	Shier,
Boies,	Landon,	S. Smith,
Bond,	Lapham,	Stewart,
Bonine,	Lewis,	Swift,
Brockway,	Look,	Thayer,
Camburn,	Luther,	Thomas,
Chipman,	Mallary,	Tupper,
Clements,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,
Cobb,	May,	Warner,
Colwell,	McKay,	Welch,
Dort,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	Mickley,	White,
Dusseau,	Miles,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Monroe,	Williams,
Forbes,	Morton,	Winsor,
Gies,	Newcomb,	Woodman,
Graham,	Nixor,	Woodruff,
Green,	Nowland,	Woodward,
Haire,	Osborn,	Woodworth,
Haynes,	Pack,	Yawkey,
Horton,	Packard,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,
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The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 28, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to amend section seven, of chapter one hundred and sixty-six, of the compiled laws, relative to the punishment of fraudulent debtors,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the

same, by inserting in line 12, after the word "jail," "and there to remain." Also, at the end of line 13, add, "or until he shall give the bond hereinbefore provided;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. G. W. Allen moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the committee;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. O. F. Howard,	Mr. Phillips,
A. Allen,	Jenness,	Pitts,
G. W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Reed,
Bayley,	G. C. Jones,	Runyan,
Ball,	Keeler,	Schars,
Bartow,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Beach,	Laing,	Shier,
Boies,	Landon,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Lapham,	Stewart,
Bonine,	Lewis,	Swift,
Brockway,	Look,	Thayer,
Chipman,	Luther,	Thomas,
Clements,	Mallary,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,
Colwell,	May,	Warner,
Dort,	McKay,	Welch,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dusseau,	Mickley,	White,
Fisher,	Miles,	Wilcox,
Forbes,	Monroe,	Williams,
Gies,	Morton,	Winsor,
Graham,	Newcomb,	Woodman,
Green,	Nixon,	Woodruff,
Haire,	Nowland,	Woodward,
Haynes,	Osborn,	Woodworth,
Horton,	Pack,	Yawkey,
M. D. Howard,	Packard,	Speaker pro tem.,

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The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Morton, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Delhi, in the county of Ingham.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The rules were suspended, and the bill put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,

Mr. O. F. Howard,

Mr. Phillips,

A. Allen,

Jenness,

Pitts,

G. W. Allen,

J. H. Jones,

Reed,

Bayley,

G. C. Jones,

Runyan,

Ball,

Keeler,

Schars,

Bartow,

Kenney,

Seymour,

Beach,

Laing,

Shier,

Boies,

Landon,

L. Smith,

Bond,

Lapham,

Stewart,

Bonine,

Lewis,

Swift,

Brockway,

Look,

Thayer,

Camburn,

Luther,

Thomas,

Chipman,

Mallary,

Tupper,

Olements,

Maxwell,

Van Vleet,

Cobb,

May,

Warner,

Colwell,

McKay,

Welch,

Dort,

McKernan,

Wendell,

Dunlap,

Mickley,

White,

Dusseau,

Miles,

Wilcox,

Fisher,

Monroe,

Williams,

Forbes,

Morton,

Winsor,

Gies,

Newcomb,

Woodman,

Graham,

Nixon,

Woodruff,

Green,

Nowland,

Woodward,

Haire,

Osborn,

Woodworth,

Haynes,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,

Pack,
Packard,

Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Thayer, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Thetford, in the county of Genesee, for the year A. D. 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Thayer,

The rules were suspended, and the bill put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Chipman,
Clements,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,

Mr. O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallery,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Morton,
Newcomb,

Mr. Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,
Runyan,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,

Green,
Haire,
Haynes,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,

Nixon,
Nowland,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,

Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bonine,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Woodman gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State road in the county of Van Buren.

Mr. M. D. Howard gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 4, of an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, in township 6 north, of range 14 and 15 west, and to aid the township of Holland in the improvement of the harbor at the mouth of North Black River, in said township, approved January 29, 1863.

Mr. Mallary gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend sections 3, 4, and 7, of act No. 210, of the session laws of 1863, entitled an act to protect the owners of sheep from damage done by dogs.

Mr. Dunlap gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to attach the county of Manitou to the county of Lee-lanaw, for certain judicial purposes.

Mr. Welch, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to appropriate the highway taxes upon certain lands of non-residents in the townships of Orange, Sebewa and Danby, in the county of Ionia, for the purpose of improving the Grand River turnpike in said townships.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Maxwell, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize Bay county to issue bonds in aid of the construction of the Midland and Bay City plank road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. L. Smith, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to encourage the erection and support of water-power manufactories.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures.

Mr. Woodward, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the first Baptist Church and Society of Brooklyn, Jackson county, to convey certain cemetery grounds.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Woodward, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill changing the boundary line between the townships of Columbia and Napoleon, in the county of Jackson, and State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Miles, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to revise the charter of the city of Port Huron," approved February 15, 1859.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Luther, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp.

lands, by means of a State road and ditches, from Nunica, in Ottawa county, to Muskegon, in Muskegon county, to be known as the Nunica and Muskegon State road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. J. H. Jones, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 8 of an act entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation of villages," approved February 17, 1857, as amended by act No. 121, approved March 17, 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Maxwell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill in relation to tax titles, defining certain rights of the holders thereof.

Mr. Boies moved that the House adjourn;

Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Winsor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Paris, in the county of Huron.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Winsor,

The rules were suspended, and the bill put upon its immediate passage.

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bonine,
Breckway,
Clements,

Mr. G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Mallory,
Maxwell,
McKay,

Mr. Seymour,
Shier,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Tupper,

Cobb,
Colwell,
Dort
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Haynes,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,

McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Morton,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Runyan,
Schars,

Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Welch moved that the House adjourn until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Seymour,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Tuesday, January 31, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem.*

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Bryant.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Bond, Carleton, Gies, Swift and White.

Mr. J. H. Jones asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bond, for an indefinite time.

Mr. W. T. Smith asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Carleton, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Nowland asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Gies, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. G. C. Jones asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Swift for an indefinite time.

Mr. Packard asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. White, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Woodward asked and obtained leave of absence for himself for one week.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Haynes: remonstrance of James B. Tompkins, Peter S. Mann, Aura Smith, and others, against legalizing the action of the people of the township of Girard, in paying bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Chipman: remonstrance of M. W. Field & Co., and others, against the metropolitan police bill;

Also: remonstrance of Walter Ingersoll, and others, against the metropolitan police bill;

Also: remonstrance of Henry Webber, and others, against the metropolitan police bill;

On motion of Mr. Dort,

The several remonstrances were laid on the table.

By Mr. J. H. Jones: petition of the township board, and other citizens of the town of Kinderhook, relative to war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. G. W. Allen: petition of 120 citizens of Kent county, relative to the railroad land grants;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Reed: petition of O. M. Barnes, and 55 other citizens of Mason, Ingham county, praying for the passage of an act incorporating the village of Mason;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Maxwell: petition of Frederick Schelling and 42 others, citizens of Sebewaing, praying for the construction of a State road between Sebewaing and Bay City;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Maxwell: petition of the members of the bar and

county officers of the county of Bay, praying that the salaries of the circuit judges be paid in gold ;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Forbes: petition of Wm. Humphrey and 79 others, tax-payers of the township of Lodi, Washtenaw county, for a law authorizing them to pay a bounty of two hundred dollars each to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Morton: petition of E. Loranger and 100 others, of Frenchtown, Monroe county, for a law to enable the inhabitants of said township to raise, by tax or loan, a bounty of \$200 to each volunteer placed to their credit;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Fisher: petition of the citizens of the third ward of the city of Jackson, for a law authorizing the citizens of said ward to raise by tax, moneys to repay John H. Emmons and William Thorp, moneys advanced by them to pay bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Miles: petition of a number of the families of soldiers in the field, praying for relief;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

By Mr. Winsor: petitions of C. H. Gallop and others, praying for an appropriation of swamp lands on the Port Hope and Sebewaing State road;

Also: petitions of W. R. Stafford and 200 others, for an appropriation of swamp lands on the Port Hope and Wild Fowl Bay State road;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Shier: remonstrance of George H. Burrows and 24 others, against legalizing the tax roll of the township of Van Buren;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Boies: petition of Wm. K. Green, Wm. Derbyshire, and 56 other electors of the township of Rollin, Lenawee county, praying the Legislature to legalize the action of said

town in voting a tax for the purpose of raising money for bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was recommitted House bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to amend section 636 of the compiled laws, being section 8, of chapter 15, relative to the compensation of supervisors for taking the census and statistics of this State,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Warner,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A resolution of the board of supervisors of Cass county, in regard to increase of compensation of township officers,

Having acted heretofore upon sundry petitions relating to the same subject, have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The petition was laid on the table.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 1868, chapter 40, of the compiled

laws, being section three, of chapter two, title nine, part one, of the revised statutes of 1838,

Respectfully report that they had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from its further consideration.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on engrossment and enrollment:

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor, the following entitled bills and joint resolutions:

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the townships of Ash, Raisinville, Erie and Frenchtown, in the county of Monroe;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Warren, in the county of Macomb;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Seneca, in the county of Lenawee, for the year eighteen hundred and sixty-four;

Also,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the city of Saginaw, county of Saginaw, for the year A. D. 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes of said city;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the city of East Saginaw;

Also,

Joint resolution for the relief of William Dingman;

Also,

Joint resolution asking the general government for a grant

of land to aid in the construction of the Mineral Range railroad.

JOHN LANDON, *Chairman*.

Report accepted.

By the committee on engrossment and enrollment:

The committee on engrossment and enrollment, to whom was referred House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the officers and members of the Legislature for the year 1865,

Respectfully report the same back to the House without action thereon.

JOHN LANDON, *Chairman*.

Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Port Huron, approved Feb. 15, 1859,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 8, of act No. 121, of session laws of 1863, relative to the incorporation of villages,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,

and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the construction of a State road from the forks of Cass river, in Tuscola county, to Bay City, in Bay county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the bill when so substituted, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. WINSOR, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to lay out and establish a State road in the Upper Peninsula, to be known as the Ontonagon and Pewabic State road, and to provide for the construction of the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the bill, when so substituted, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. WINSOR, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Yawkey,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of certain taxes in the township of Dayton, Tuscola county, and to grant an extension of time therefor,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred
Senate bill No. 86, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Grosse Point, in the county of Wayne, for the year A. D. 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend act No. 248, of the law of 1859, entitled 'An act to regulate fire, marine, life and health insurance companies, and their agents, associations, partnerships, and individuals doing fire, marine, life and health insurance business, not incorporated by the State of Michigan,'" approved February 15th, 1859,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 31, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has concurred in the amendments and recommendations made by the committee of conference, to whom was referred the disagreement of the two Houses on House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the officers and members of the Legislature, for the year 1865,

Being as follows: That the said bill be amended by inserting after the word "newspapers," in the eighth line of section 2, the words: "The compensation of the Secretary of the Senate, and of the Clerk of the House of Representatives, shall be

three dollars a day each, for actual attendance during the session, and ten cents for every mile actually traveled in going to and returning from the place of meeting, on the usually traveled route. Also, by striking out the word "Secretary," in the eighth line of section 2; the words "Clerk and," in the ninth line of said section 2; and all from and after the word "session," in the thirteenth line, to and including the word "route," in the fourteenth line of said section 2. They also recommend that the Senate recede from its amendment to said bill, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,
The message was laid on the table.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Miles offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on public lands be requested to report back to the House, without action, the petition of A. W. Clark and others; also, the petition of D. B. Harrington and others, both relating to a change in the location of a part of the Bay City and Port Huron State road;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Chipman moved to take from the general order Senate bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Grosse Point, in the county of Wayne, for the year 1864;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Chipman,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Woodman gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to extend the time for building the Paw Paw railroad.

Mr. Nowland gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the erection and maintenance of shutes for the passage of fish through the dams across the streams of this State.

Mr. Thomas gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

Joint resolution in relation to distributing the compiled laws to circuit court commissioners.

Mr. J. H. Jones moved to reconsider the vote by which the recommendations of the special committee to whom was referred the printing of the Governors' messages in the German language was concurred in;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

The report of the committee was laid on the table.

Mr. Monroe moved to take from the table, House bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of the officers and members of the Legislature for the year 1865;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

Mr. Woodman offered the following:

Resolved, That the special order of this day be postponed for one week;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Dort offered the following:

Resolved, That the three remonstrances from the city of Detroit, against the passage of the Metropolitan Police bill, be taken from the table and referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order, with the bill on the same subject;

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Woodruff gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the name of the village of Brunsen Harbor, in Berrien county, to Benton Harbor.

Mr. Howard, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 4, of an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, in township 6 north, of range 14 and 15 west, and to aid the township of Holland in the improvement of the harbor at the mouth of North Black River, in said township, approved January 29, 1868.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Woodman, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State road in the county of Van Buren, and to provide for the construction of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Seymour, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

Joint resolution requesting our members in Congress to use their best efforts to procure the repeal of the tax on school books.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Mallary, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend sections 3, 4 and 7, of act No. 210, of the session laws of 1863, entitled an act to protect the owners of sheep from damage done by dogs.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures.

Mr. Fisher, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the collection of certain moneys in the

ward of the city of Jackson, to repay advances made by H. Emmons and William Thorp, for the purpose of paying fees to volunteers.

bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Maxwell, previous notice having been given, and leave granted, introduced

bill in relation to tax titles, defining certain rights of the owners thereof.

bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

G. C. Jones, previous notice having been given, and leave granted, introduced

bill to grant fifteen sections of State swamp lands to the town of Ontonagon, for the purpose of constructing a bridge across the Ontonagon river, near its mouth, at the village of Ontonagon.

bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

G. C. Jones, previous notice having been given, and leave granted, introduced

bill to lay out and establish a State road in the Upper Peninsula, to be known as the Winona and Franklin State road, and to provide for the construction of the same.

bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Reed, previous notice having been given, and leave granted, introduced

bill to incorporate the village of Mason.

bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. McKernan, previous notice having been given, and leave granted, introduced

bill to authorize the township of Eagle Harbor, in Keweenaw county, to raise money, by tax or otherwise, to improve the entrances of Eagle Harbor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

Mr. Dunlap, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to attach the county of Manitou to the county of Lelanaw, for certain judicial purposes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. McKernan moved to take from the table House bill No. 66, being Senate bill No. 9, as amended, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of stage companies;
Which motion prevailed.

The bill having been read a third time, and the question being upon its final passage,

Pending the taking of the vote,

Mr. G. C. Jones asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by adding a new section thereto, to stand as section seven, as follows:

"Sec. 7. That all corporations formed under the provisions of this act, for the formation of stage corporations, shall be liable to be assessed upon all real and personal estate held by them in this State, at its true value, and shall pay thereon taxes for township, county and State purposes, the same as other real and personal estate, and such taxes shall be assessed, collected and paid in the same manner as other taxes on real and personal estate are required to be assessed, collected and paid."

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. M. D. Howard,	Mr. Pitts,
A. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Reed,
G. W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Runyan,
Bayley,	G. C. Jones,	Schars,
Ball,	Keeler,	Seymour,
Bartow,	Kenney,	Shier,
Beach,	Laing,	L. Smith,
Boies,	Landon,	W. T. Smith,

Bonine,	Lapham,	Stewart,
Brockway,	Lewis,	Thomas,
Camburn,	Look,	Tupper,
Chipman,	Luther,	Van Vleet,
Clements,	May,	Warner,
Cobb,	McKernan,	Welch,
Colwell,	Mickley,	Wendell,
Dort,	Miles,	Wilcox,
Dunlap,	Monroe,	Williams,
Dussean,	Newcomb,	Winsor,
Fisher,	Nixon,	Woodman,
Forbes,	Nowland,	Woodruff,
Graham,	Osborn,	Woodward,
Green,	Pack,	Woodworth,
Haire,	Packard,	Yawkey,
Haynes,	Phillips,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,
Horton,		78.

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tle agreed to.

a motion of Mr. McKernan,

y a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Williams moved to take from the table the report of the committee relating to printing the Governors' messages in the German language;

Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Williams offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk be and he is hereby directed to notify the two German papers in the city of Detroit of the action of the House to-day, on the matter of printing the Governors' messages in the German language;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Warner moved to take from the table House bill No. 78,

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military and naval service of the United States;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and made the special order for this afternoon at two o'clock.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the sixth ward of the city of Detroit, Wayne county,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. O. F. Howard,	Mr. Pitts,
A. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Reed,
G. W. Allen,	G. O. Jones,	Ranyan,
Bayley,	Keeler,	Schars,
Ball,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Bartow,	Laing,	Shier,
Boies,	Landon,	L. Smith,
Bonine,	Lapham,	W. T. Smith,
Brockway,	Lewis,	Stewart,
Camburn,	Look,	Thayer,
Chipman,	Luther,	Thomas,
Clements,	May,	Tupper,
Cobb,	McKay,	Van Vleet,
Colwell,	McKernan,	Warner,
Dort,	Mickley,	Welch,
Dunlap,	Miles,	Wendell,
Dusseau,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Morton,	Williams,
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Winsor,
Graham,	Nixon,	Woodman,
Green,	Nowland,	Woodruff,
Haire,	Osborn,	Woodward,
Haynes,	Pack,	Woodworth,
Horton,	Packard,	Yawkey,
M. D. Howard,	Phillips,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 36, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Grosse Point, in the county of Wayne, for the year 1864,

read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Chipman asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the same by inserting the letter "s" after the word "township," and after the word "treasurer," wherever the words occur in the bill; also, by inserting the words "Greenfield," after the words "Grosse Point," wherever the words occur in the bill; also, by striking out the word "wherever" wherever it occurs in the bill, and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "them;" also, by striking out the word "his," in the bill, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "them;" also, by inserting the letter "s" after the word "bond," in the third section 2.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect. Therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Allen,	Mr. M. D. Howard,	Mr. Phillips,
Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Pitts,
W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Reed,
Mayley,	G. C. Jones,	Runyan,
Ball,	Keeler,	Scharr,
Cartow,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Each,	Laing,	Shier,
Coies,	Landon,	L. Smith,
Conine,	Lapham,	W. T. Smith,
Rockway,	Lewis,	Stewart,
Amburn,	Look,	Thayer,
Chipman,	Luther,	Thomas,
Clements,	May,	Tapper,
Obb,	McKay,	Van Vleet,
Polwell,	McKernan,	Warner,
Port,	Mickley,	Welch,
Unlap,	Miles,	Wendell,
Russau,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Morton,	Williams,
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Winsor,
Graham,	Nixon,	Woodman,
Green,	Nowland,	Woodruff,
Laire,	Osborn,	Woodward,
Haynes,	Pack,	Woodworth,
Morton,	Packard,	Speaker pro tem.

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The question being upon agreeing to the title,

Mr. Chipman moved to amend the title, by inserting the letter "s," after the word "township," and the words "and Greenfield," after the words "Grosse Pointe;"

Which motion prevailed.

The title, as amended, was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Chipman,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Winsor in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the relief, by counties, of the families of volunteers mustered from this State into the military service of the United States, or of this State, approved May 4, 1861, and to add certain sections thereto, approved January 17, 1862, by adding thereto another section, approved March 19, 1863;

Have stricken out all after the enacting clause thereof, and have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, asking concurrence therein, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

R. WINSOR, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the action of the committee, in striking out all after the enacting clause of the bill.

motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,
enacting clause of the bill was laid on the table.
motion of Mr. Ball,
House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

House met, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro*
called: *querum present*.
Speaker *pro tem.* announced that the hour had arrived
consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

motion of Mr. Brockway,
House went into committee of the whole, on the special
M. D. Howard in the chair.

For some time spent therein, the committee rose, and
made the following report:
the whole have had under consideration
bill:
entitled
for the payment of bounties to volunteers
val service of the United States;
amendments thereto, and have directed
port the same back to the House, asking
and recommend its passage.

M. D. HOWARD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.
motion of Mr. G. W. Allen,
the amendments made to the bill were concurred in, *in gross*.
motion of Mr. Brockway,
the rules were suspended, and the bill, being House bill No.
entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military and naval service of the United States,

Was put upon its final passage.

The bill was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Warner asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by striking out "Mon," (being the first syllable of the word "Monday,") where it occurs after the word "first," in the sixth line of section 6.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. G. C. Jones,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	Keeler,	Runyan,
G. W. Allen,	Kenney,	Schars,
Bayley,	Laing,	Seymour,
Ball,	Landon,	Shier,
Beach,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
Boies,	Look,	W. T. Smith,
Bonine,	Luther,	Stewart,
Brockway,	Mallary,	Thayer,
Camburn,	Maxwell,	Thomas,
Chipman,	May,	Tupper,
Cobb,	McKay,	Van Vleet,
Colwell,	McKernan,	Warner,
Dort,	Mickley,	Welch,
Fisher,	Miles,	Wendell,
Forbes,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Graham,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Green,	Nixon,	Woodman,
Haire,	Nowland,	Woodruff,
Haynes,	Osborn,	Woodward,
M. D. Howard,	Pack,	Woodworth,
O. F. Howard,	Packard,	Yawkey,
Jenness,	Phillips,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,
J. H. Jones,		10

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Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Horton,	Mr. Munger,
Dunlap,	Lewis,	Pitts,
Dussean,	Morton,	Winsor,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

As members elect, the bill was
the House adjourn;

THE SENATE.

Speaker *pro tem.* announced the

SENATE CHAMBER,
sitting, January 31, 1865. }
Representatives:

Senate to return to the House

And

the collection of taxes in the
of Huron;

And

the collection of taxes in the
of Ingham;

And

the collection of taxes in the
nty of Genesee, for the year A.

And

the collection of taxes in the
y of Grand Rapids;

Senate has concurred by a major-
ity, and has ordered the same to
of two-thirds of all the Senators

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

committee on engrossment and

this evening at 7½ o'clock.

EVENING SESSION.

7½ o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem.*

Roll called: quorum present.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 31, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following entitled bills:

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the sixth ward, in the city of Detroit, Wayne county;

Also, House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Allegan, Allegan county;

Also, House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Ecorse, in the county of Wayne;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The several bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 10 o'clock.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 1, 1885.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Burgess.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Aitken, Bonine, Graham, Maxwell, Nowland and Thayer.

Mr. Van Vleet asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Aitken, until Tuesday next.

Mr. Brockway asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bonine, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Woodruff asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Graham, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Keeler asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Landon asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Monday next.

Mr. Luther asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Yawkey asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Maxwell, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Dort asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Nowland, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Keeler asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Thayer, for an indefinite time.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Seymour: petition of C. S. Hooker and eight others, officers and trustees of the village of Lowell, Kent county, praying for the passage of an act to amend the charter of said village;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Woodruff: petition of Martin Green, H. C. Morton, J. Thresher and 470 others, citizens of Berrien county, to change the name of the village of Brunson Harbor, to Benton Harbor;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Van Vleet: petition of T. G. Smith and 49 others, legal voters of the town of Fenton, county of Genesee, asking the Legislature to legalize the acts of the voters of said town, in voting to pay bounties to volunteers and drafted men, to fill their quota on the present call for 300,000 men;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Van Vleet: petition of John Young and 13 others, residents of Gaines, Genesee county, asking for an appropriation of swamp lands to aid in cutting drains through a certain swamp in Genesee and Shiawassee counties;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Luther: petition of J. H. Newcomb and 51 others, for a State road from Mill Point, in Ottawa county, to Muskegon, in Muskegon county, and remonstrating against the establishing of a road from Muskegon to Ferrysburg, in said counties;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Beach: petition of Joseph Bently, O. B. Austin, and 59 others, inhabitants of the township of Convis, in the county of Calhoun, in relation to war bounties;

Also: petition of Richard Keeler, John W. Arnold, and 58 others, electors of the township of Pennfield, in the county of Calhoun, in relation to war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Look: memorial of Benjamin F. McDonald, praying to be admitted to the seat now occupied by James Bayley, on the floor of this House, as the representative from the first representative district of Oakland county;

Referred to the committee on elections.

By Mr. Jenness: petition of John B. Hough, supervisor, John Wright and 34 others, tax-payers of the township of Almont, Lapèer county, asking the Legislature to legalize the action of the town board of said Almont, in issuing bonds to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Green: petition of the electors of the town of Vermontville, in Eaton county, asking that the action of said town, in raising bounties, be legalized;

referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Woodman: memorial of the inspectors of election of township of Porter, in Van Buren county, asking for the passage of an act to legalize the action of said township in expending money to pay bounties to volunteers;

referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Mallary: petition of Geo. A. Farriston, Wm. Chapin, and 370 others, citizens of the towns of Mussey and Eastport, St. Clair county, for the passage of a law appropriating swamp lands in said county to drain the same;

referred to the committee on public lands.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred the joint resolution requesting our members of Congress to use their best efforts to get the tax on school books repealed, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on elections:

The committee on elections, to whom was referred the petition of W. M. McConnell, and 25 other electors of the Second Representative District of Oakland county, asking an investigation of the right by which Henry M. Look occupies a seat as member of this House,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have allowed the petitioners all the time they requested to substantiate their charges, and have further held the subject under consideration some ten days, during all of which time said petitioners have failed to bring any evidence of the

truth of the charges made in said petition. Your committee are of the opinion, from the testimony that has been before them that the course pursued by the said Henry M. Look, while within the jurisdiction of the so-called Confederate States of America, and the means used by him to relieve himself of their rather unpalatable control, was rather commendable than otherwise. Therefore, your committee report the subject back to the House, and recommend that it be indefinitely postponed, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

R. WINSOR, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Miles,

The House concurred in the recommendations of the committee.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize Bay county to issue bonds to aid in the construction of the Midland and Bay City plank road,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. O. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to attach the county of Manitou to the county of Leelanaw, for certain judicial purposes,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so

amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The judiciary committee, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 3670 of the compiled laws, in relation to justices' courts,

Beg leave to report that they have had the same under consideration; that the amendment proposed provides that in cases commenced by attachment before a justice of the peace, the party applying therefor shall, in addition to the facts previously required to be shown by affidavit, set forth the facts and circumstances which entitle him to the writ. This amendment, your committee believe, should be made; but the bill further provides a process for the dissolution of such attachment similar to the provisions of law now in force in relation to attachments issued from the circuit courts. The proceeding as applied to justices' courts, in the opinion of your committee, is too intricate and expensive to be of any practical utility. I have, therefore, been instructed to report a substitute for said bill, in conformity with the views above set forth, which is herewith submitted, entitled

A bill to amend section 3670 of the compiled laws, relative to actions commenced by attachment in justices' courts,

Recommending that said substitute be adopted, and that the same do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations :

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to incorporate the village of Mason,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

- C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred the petition of A. D. Fraser, J. F. Conover, and more than 100 others, citizens of Detroit, asking for an amendment of the charter of said city, in relation to the qualification of voters at citizens' meetings, to authorize raising money by tax or loans,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 8, of an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit, approved February 5th, 1857,

And recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the First Baptist Church and Society, of Brooklyn, Jackson county, to convey certain real estate,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on military affairs:

The committee on military affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to punish the recruiting of men for the volunteer service of other States,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill, when amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. J. WOODMAN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on military affairs:

The committee on military affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to prevent swindling of persons enlisting into the military or naval service of the United States, or of this

State, and to punish the use of certain means to procure enlistments,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. J. WOODMAN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on engrossment and enrollment:

The committee on engrossment and enrollment, report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor the following bills:

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Delhi, in the county of Ingham;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Paris, in the county of Huron;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Allegan, Allegan county;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Ecorse, in the county of Wayne;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the sixth ward, in the city of Detroit, Wayne county;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the

and, third and fourth wards of the city of Grand Rapids, in
county of Kent;

Also,
A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sandstone,
Iosco county, for the year 1864;

Also,
A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sanilac, in
county of Sanilac, for the year 1864, and to extend the time
for the collection of the taxes in said township;

Also,
A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the
township of Thetford, in the county of Genesee, for the year
1864;

Also,
A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the
township of Handy, in the county of Livingston, for the year
1864.

JOHN LANDON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, January 31, 1865. }

the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office
of the Secretary of State, the following, viz:

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the
city of East Saginaw;

Also,
An act to legalize the assessment roll of the township of
Richland, in the county of Saginaw, for the year eighteen hun-
dred and sixty-four;

Also,
An act to legalize the tax roll of the city of Saginaw, county
of Saginaw, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the
collection of the taxes of said city;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Warren, in the county of Macomb;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Seneca, in the county of Lenawee;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the townships of Ash, Raisinville, Erie and Frenchtown, in the county of Monroe;

Also,

Joint resolution asking the general government for a grant of land to aid in the construction of the Mineral Range Railroad;

Also,

Joint resolution for the relief of William Dingman;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Thetford, in the county of Genesee, for the year 1864;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Ecorse, in the county of Wayne;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Allegan, Allegan county;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the sixth ward in the city of Detroit, Wayne county;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Paris, in the county of Huron;

Also,

An act to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sandstone, Jackson county, for the year 1864;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the second, third and fourth wards of the city of Grand Rapids, in county of Kent, for the year 1864;

Also,

An act to legalize the tax roll of the township of Sanilac, in county of Sanilac, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes of said township;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Handy, in the county of Livingston, for the year 1864;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Delhi, in the county of Ingham.

HENRY H. CRAPO.

The message was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following :

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 1, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the House concurring,) That the State Librarian be directed to purchase forthwith, all the principal standard works on parliamentary law, and deposit the same in the State Library for the use of the Legislature;

Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 31, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Ontonagon to raise money, by tax or otherwise, for the protection and improvement of the harbor at the mouth of the Ontonagon river,

Which the Senate has amended by striking out the words "pro rata," in the 4th line of section 1;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. G. C. Jones moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Brockway,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Forbes,
Green,
Haire,
Haynes,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,

Mr. Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallory,
May,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Munger,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,

Mr. Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,

Jenness, J. H. Jones, G. C. Jones, Keeler,	Phillips, Reed, Ranyan,	Woodruff, Yawkey, Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,
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Mr. Camburn, 1
The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 31, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following joint resolution:

Senate joint resolution No. 5, entitled
Joint resolution authorizing the Auditor General to pay Lydia Matthews certain moneys;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 31, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following joint resolutions:

1. Senate joint resolution No. 3, entitled
Joint resolution in relation to military orders and circulars issued by the Provost Marshal General;

2. Senate joint resolution No. 4, entitled
A joint resolution asking an appropriation of land by Con-

gress to endow the Michigan mining school in the Upper Peninsula;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on militia.

The second named joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 31, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following entitled bill:

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to change the name of Truman W. Willey, of the town of Ray, in the county of Macomb, to Truman Gass;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, January 31, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 21, entitled

bill to amend section 979, of the compiled laws, relative to sales upon sales at auction;
the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,
THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 31, 1865. }

The Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (The House concurring.) That the select committee on amendments to the constitution, be and they are hereby instructed to report, at as early a day as practicable, a joint resolution submitting to the people of this State an amendment to the constitution, whereby our soldiers in actual service in the war may be entitled to vote at all elections;
Which has passed the Senate, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,
THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

On motion of Mr. J. H. Jones,

The House concurred in the adoption of the resolution.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 31, 1865. }

The Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to authorize any of the towns of the counties of Oak-

land and Macomb to pledge their credit to aid in the construction of a railroad from Ridgeway, on the Grand Trunk Railway, to some point on the Detroit and Milwaukee Railroad;

Which the Senate has amended, as follows: by striking out the words "subscribe to the stock of," in line 2, of section 1, and inserting after the word "loan," in the same line, the words "or donate;" also, strike out the word "or," in line 2; also, strike out the words "guarantee the bonds of," in line 3, and at the end of the section add the words "by ballot;" also, amend section 2, lines 3 and 4, by striking out the words "subscribing for said stock, or guaranteeing the bonds of," and insert in line 3, after the word "loan," the following words: "or donation to;" also, amend section 3, in line 2, by striking out the words "subscription or guaranty such bonds," and insert after the word "loan," the words "or donation;" also, in line 3, strike out, after the word "loan," the following words: "subscription or guaranteeing said bonds," and insert the words "or donation;" and at the end of the 4th line, after the word "loan," add the words "or donation;" also, amend section 4, in line 2, by striking out the words "subscription or guaranteeing the bonds of any such company," and insert in lieu thereof the words "or donation;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Mallary moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Boies,
Brockway,

Mr. Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,

Mr. Reed,
Runyan,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,

Camburn,	Luther,	W. T. Smith,
Carleton,	Mallory,	Stewart,
Colwell,	May,	Thomas,
Dort,	McKernan,	Tupper,
Dunlap,	Mickley,	Van Vleet,
Dussean,	Miles,	Warner,
Forbes,	Morton,	Welch,
Green,	Munger,	Wendell,
Haire,	Nixon,	Willits,
Haynes,	O'Grady,	Williams,
M. D. Howard,	Osborn,	Winsor,
O. F. Howard,	Pack,	Woodman,
Jenness,	Packard,	Woodruff,
J. H. Jones,	Phillips,	Yawkey,
G. C. Jones,	Pitts,	Speaker pro tem.,
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The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker pro tem. also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, January 31, 1865. }

The Speaker of the House of Representatives:

I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 27, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the support of the State Normal School;

2. Senate bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to provide means to complete and keep in repair the Soldiers' National Cemetery, at Gettysburg, Pa.;

3. Senate bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Jonesville, in the county of Hillsdale, to borrow money, for the purposes therein mentioned;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators

elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first and second named bills were read a first and second time by their title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The third named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 1, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteer in the military and naval service of the United States,

And to inform the House that the Senate has made the following amendments thereto:

Amend section one by striking out the words "for the term of one year," in the sixth line. Also, by striking out the 9th and 10th lines, and all of the 11th line previous to the word "provided." Also, by striking out the last three words in the 18th line, and all of the 19th line except the words "or unless."

Amend section three by striking out the word "two" in the second line, and by inserting "one," in its place.

Amend section 4, by adding at the end of the 4th line the following, viz: "at the time of their enlistment."

Amend section 11, by striking out the last 4 words in the 4th line, and all of the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th lines, and by inserting instead thereof the following: "assessed, collected and paid into the county treasury at the same time and in the same manner as moneys raised by tax for State and county purposes;

and for that purpose the board of supervisors shall, at their annual session [in October, in each year, ascertain and determine the amount of money to be raised by tax, from such townships, and from such ward of said city, in said county, for the year, to pay such principal and interest; and the clerk of the board shall certify the amount so ascertained and determined, to the county treasurer, and to the supervisor of such township, and to the proper city or ward officer, for assessment, in the same manner as State and county taxes are certified."

Amend section 13, so that the section shall read as follows:
"Sec. 13. Any city or township officer, or other person, who shall use or apply any of the county bonds, in this act authorized, or any of the proceeds thereof, or any moneys belonging to any city or township, contrary to the provisions of this act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, upon conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, nor less than five hundred dollars, and by imprisonment in the county jail for a term not less than six months, nor more than one year, or by imprisonment in the State prison for a period not exceeding two years;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOMAS H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved to lay the bill on the table;
Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Warner moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Pending which motion,

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The bill was laid on the table.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. G. W. Allen gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Grand Rapids.

Mr. Seymour gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the laying out of a State road from the village of Lowell, in the county of Kent, to the village of Hastings, in the county of Barry.

Mr. Woodman offered the following:

Resolved, That from and after this day, the daily sessions of this House shall commence at nine o'clock in the morning;

Mr. Pitts moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Warner gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 33, of chapter 17, being section 815 of the compiled laws, relating to percentage for collecting expenses.

Mr. Warner gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 1 of "an act for the encouragement of agriculture, manufactures, and the mechanic arts, approved March 16, 1849," the same being section 7687 of the compiled laws.

Mr. Look moved that the memorial of Mr. B. F. McDonald, which was this morning presented and read, be printed in the Journal of the House;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Yawkey, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of East Saginaw, approved February 15th, 1859, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend sections 1, 4 and 5, of title 2, and section 6, of title 4, and sections 5, 6, 7 and 10, of title

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Look, unanimous consent being given, introduced Joint resolution for the relief of Carlos B. Plumb.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Woodruff, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to change the name of the village now known as Brunson Harbor, in Berrien county, Michigan, to Benton Harbor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Warner moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to legalize the action of certain townships, cities and counties, in raising bounties for volunteers;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Warner,

The bill was made the special order for this afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

Mr. Kenney gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the counties of St. Clair, Lapeer, Genesee and Shiawassee, and the cities and townships of said counties, to pledge their credit in aid of the construction of a railroad from Port Huron to Owosso.

Mr. Van Vleet gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill legalizing the action of certain special township meetings, of the township of Fenton, Genesee county, in voting bounties to volunteers, and authorizing the township boards thereof to issue bonds for the same.

Mr. Jenness moved to take from the table Senate bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to protect employers of emigrant labor, contracted

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under the provisions of an act of Congress, approved July 4th, 1864;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Morton offered the following:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the joint committee on amendments to the constitution, be and they are hereby instructed to submit to the people a clause to change the constitutional provision prohibiting license for the sale of ardent spirits or other intoxicating liquors;

Laid on the table for one day under the rules.

Mr. Schars gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for assessing property at its true value, and for levying and collecting taxes thereon, approved February 14, 1853, and an act amendatory thereto, approved February 4, 1858;

Also,

A bill to amend section 80, act 32, laws of 1858, approved February 4th, 1858.

Mr. Dunlap gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for an appropriation of lands from the agricultural grant, for the establishment of an Agricultural College, in the Grand Traverse region.

Mr. Thomas offered the following:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Secretary of State be, and he is hereby required to furnish to each circuit court commissioner, in the State of Michigan, who are not already provided with the same, one copy of the compiled laws, and the subsequent session laws;

Laid on the table for one day under the rules.

On motion of Mr. Seymour,

The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem.*

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Laing asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced that the hour had arrived for the consideration of the special order of the day, being House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to legalize the action of certain townships, cities and counties, in raising bounties to volunteers.

Mr. Woodman moved to postpone the consideration of the bill until Friday next.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Woodman moved that the House take up and run through with the regular order of business;

Which was agreed to.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Carleton: remonstrance of C. D. Thompson, W. F. Willard, and 49 other residents of Ferrysburg, against any change of route and any reversion of any appropriation for the same, to be made in the road route between Ferrysburg and Muskegon village;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Woodman moved to take from the table House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being upon agreeing to the amendments made to the bill by the Senate,

The motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

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Mr. Schars,

Seymour,

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L. Smith,

W. T. Smith,

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Warner,

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Wendell,

Willits,

Williams,

Winsor,

Woodman,

Woodruff,

Yawkey,

Speaker *pro tem.*

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of certain townships, cities and
volunteers;

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and the substitute for the mo-
special order for to-morrow after

Which was agreed to.

The substitute for the original motion, as amended, was then agreed to.

Mr. Seymour, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the laying out of a State road from the village of Lowell, in the county of Kent, to the village of Hastings, in the county of Barry.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Welch moved that the House adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Williams in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bills:

1. Senate bill No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend section 3459, of compiled laws, relative to bonds of registers in chancery;

2. Senate bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to provide for proving the by-laws, ordinances and resolutions of the common council of the city of Battle Creek;

3. House bill No. 39, entitled

A bill to provide for the completion of the geological survey of the State;

4. House bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to amend sections one and four of an act entitled "an act to remit the specific tax upon mining, manufacturing, smelting and other companies of the Upper Peninsula to the counties in which they arise for a period of five years, and to

provide for the application of the same," approved March 20, 1863;

5. House bill No. 43, entitled

A bill to continue in force the provisions of an act entitled "an act appropriating certain taxes for the improvement of a State road in the counties of Montcalm and Gratiot," being act No. 233, approved February 15, 1859, and to amend section 2 of said act;

Have made no amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration, the following entitled bills:

6. Senate bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2032 and 2033 of the compiled laws, relative to gifts and conveyances of property to or for the use of religious societies, and institutions connected therewith;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

7. House bill No. 46, entitled

A bill making it obligatory upon banks in this State to stamp counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills;

Have stricken out all after the enacting clause thereof, and have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, asking concurrence therein.

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The first, second, third, fourth and fifth named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones,

The amendments made to the sixth named bill were concurred in, *in gross*, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Warner,

The House concurred in the action of the committee on the seventh named bill, in striking out all after the enacting clause.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The enacting clause of the bill was laid on the table.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 1, 1865. }

To the Legislature :

I have the pleasure to communicate to you, by telegraph just received, that the United States House of Representatives, by a vote of 119 to 56, have passed the constitutional amendment heretofore adopted by the Senate, forever striking from our institutions, slavery, that curse of free governments. I most earnestly congratulate you upon this auspicious event, which only awaits the action of Michigan and other States to become the supreme law of the land; and most earnestly hope and recommend that Michigan may be the first to adopt and sanction this wise and humane action on the part of Congress to rid the nation of the disturbing and blighting institution of slavery. The earliest official notice of this action will be communicated to you. I take, however, the earliest opportunity to communicate this unofficial information, knowing that you, with me and all other loyal and patriotic men, will rejoice in the wise and beneficent action of Congress in the matter.

HENRY H. CRAPO.

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The message was referred to the committee on federal relations.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 1, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

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pro tem,

Mr. Laing moved that the House adjourn;
Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Green moved to reconsider the vote by which the House refused to concur in the amendments made by the Senate to House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Green called for a division of the question on the concurrence of the House in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate, that the vote might be first taken on concurring in all of the amendments except that striking out the last three words in the eighteenth line of section one, and all of the nineteenth line except the words "or unless;" and also the amendment in the third section, striking out the word "two," in the second line, and inserting the word "one," in lieu thereof;

The question first being taken on concurring in all the amendments except the amendments to the 18th and 19th lines of section one, and the amendment to the second line of section three,

The amendments were not concurred in, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Beach,
Boies,
Brockway,
Dort,
Dussean,
Green,
Haire,
G. C. Jones,

Mr. Keeler,
Lapham,
Mallory,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Packard,
Pitts,
Schars,

Mr. Shier,
Slocum,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Warner,
Welch,
Willits,
Woodman,

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NAYS.

Mr. Ball,
Bartow,
Camburn,

Mr. Kenney,
Laing,
Lewis,

Mr. Phillips,
Seymour,
L. Smith,

Colwell,
Dunlap,
Forbes,
Haynes,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
J. H. Jones,

Look,
Miles,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
O'Grady,
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Wendell,
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The question recurring on concurring in the amendment to the 18th and 19th lines of section one, and to the amendment to the second line of section three,

The amendment were not concurred in, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Munger,
O'Grady,

Mr. Pitts,
Shier,

NAYS.

Mr. Kenney,
Laing,
Lapham,
Lewis,
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Mallery,
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McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Schars,

Mr. Seymour,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Yawkey,
Speaker pro tem.,

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Mr. Dusseau,
Morton,

Mr. A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Brockway,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Forbes,
Green,
Haire,
Haynes,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
J. H. Jones,
G. O. Jones,
Keeler,

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Thursday, February 2, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Meyer.

Roll called: *querum present*.

Mr. Bayley asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

Mr. M. D. Howard asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-morrow morning, on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. L. Smith: petition of Wm. E. Winton and 200 others, citizens of Gratiot county, praying for an appropriation of State swamp lands for completing a certain State road;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Sanderson: remonstrance of A. H. Delamatter and 175 others, against the alteration of the boundaries between the townships of Columbia and Napoleon, in Jackson county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Look: memorial of John F. Miller, praying to be admitted to the seat now held on the floor of this House by James Clements, as the representative from the second district of Washtenaw county;

Referred to the committee on elections.

By Mr. Miles: memorial of Abram M. Crawford, of Jackson county, praying for a seat in the House of Representatives from the second district of Jackson county;

Referred to the committee on elections.

By Mr. Jewell: petition of John Bevins and others, citizens and tax payers of the township of Oakfield, Kent county, asking for an extension of time for the collection of taxes in said township;

On motion of Mr. Jewell,

The petition was laid on the table.

By Mr. G. C. Jones: petition of P. S. Phelan, and 25 other

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citizens of Ontonagon county, praying the Legislature to repeal the law prohibiting the sale and manufacture of spirituous and intoxicating liquors;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Reed: petition of the citizens of Aurelius, Ingham county, concerning bounties paid to volunteers;

Also: petition of citizens of Onondaga, Ingham county, concerning bounties paid to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Dunlap: petition of Samuel Horton and 48 others, citizens of Emmet county, praying that the Legislature enact a law prohibiting trap-net fishing in Pine Lake, situated in said county;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

By Mr. May: remonstrance of John C. Pulcher, supervisor of the township of Grosse Point, and 31 others of said town, against the laying out of a road through the west half of section one, of said township;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Ball: petition of Daniel C. Marsh and others, of the county of Livingston, relative to amending the law in relation to the collection of taxes;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND MOMENTS.

Mr. Monroe gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the payment of a uniform State bounty to men volunteering or drafted into the naval or military service of the United States, from and after the 1st day of February, A. D. 1865.

Mr. Jenness moved to take from the table Senate bill No. 21, being

A bill to protect employers of emigrant labor, contracted under the provisions of an act of Congress, approved July 4th, 1864;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Jenness,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on State affairs
Mr. Haynes offered the following:

Whereas, The world-renowned prophet, Prof. W. W. Ryan, formerly from near the State University, but now a resident of the beautiful valley of the Paw Paw, has signified his desire to visit Lansing, for the purpose of revealing to this Legislature and the citizens generally, those profound and important facts relative to meteorological phenomena, of which he alone, of all mortals, is said to be in possession; therefore,

Resolved, That the use of this Hall be granted to the learned and able Professor, on the evening of February 15th, 1865, for the purpose of revealing his important and interesting theory.

Mr. Woodman moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Woodman demanded the yeas and nays on the adoption of the resolution;

The demand was not seconded.

Mr. Warner moved to amend the resolution by adding at the end thereof, the following: "at any time within his convenience, during the recess of the Legislature;"

Which was not agreed to.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Warner moved that Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of State and county taxes in the city of Detroit,

Which passed the House yesterday, be ordered to take immediate effect;

Which motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

Mr. Monroe gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 24, of the session laws of 1864, entitled "an act authorizing a war bounty loan," approved Feb. 5, 1864.

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Mr. G. W. Allen, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill entitled an "Act to amend sections 2, 3, 4, 6, 8, 9 and 10, title 5, and sections 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61 and 62, of title 6, and section 8, of title 10, of the charter of the city of Grand Rapids."

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks incorporations.

Mr. Schars, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 80, act 32, laws of 1859, approved February 4, 1859.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Schars, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for assessing property at its true value, and for levying and collecting taxes thereon, approved February 14, 1853, and the acts amendatory thereto, approved February 14, 1858.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Kenney, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the counties of St. Clair, Lapeer, Genesee and Shiawassee, and the cities and townships of said counties, to pledge their credit in aid of the construction of a railroad from Port Huron to Owosso.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Welch, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend act No. 231, of session laws of 1861, and add one new section for improving a road in Eaton and Ionia counties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Van Vleet, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill legalizing the action of certain township meetings, of the township of Fenton, Genesee county, in voting bounties to volunteers, and authorizing the township board thereof to issue bonds for the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Dort, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A joint resolution proposing an amendment to section 1, of article 7, of the Constitution of this State, relative to elections;

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the joint committee on amendments to the constitution.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to continue in force the provisions of an act entitled an act appropriating certain taxes for the improvement of a State road in the counties of Montcalm and Gratiot, being Act No. 288, approved February 15th, 1859, and to amend section two of said act,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,	Mr. J. H. Jones,	Mr. Reed,
G. W. Allen,	G. C. Jones,	Sanderson,
Bayley,	Keeler,	Schars,
Ball,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Beach,	Lapham,	Shier,
Boies,	Lewis,	Slocum,
Bond,	Look,	L. Smith,
Brockway,	Mallary,	W. T. Smith,
Camburn,	May,	Taylor,
Colwell,	McKernan,	Thomas,
Copley,	Mickley,	Tupper,
Dort,	Miles,	Van Vleet,
Dunlap,	Monroe,	Warner,
Dusseau,	Morton,	Welch,

Forbes,	Munger,	Wendell,
Green,	Nixon,	Willits,
Haire,	O'Grady,	Williams,
Haynes,	Osborn,	Winsor,
M. D. Howard,	Pack,	Woodman,
O. F. Howard,	Packard,	Woodruff,
Jenness,	Phillips,	Yawkey,
Jewell,	Pitts,	Speaker pro tem.,
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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Stewart,	2
Title agreed to.		

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker pro tem. announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1865. }

to the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following joint resolution:

Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled
Joint resolution ratifying the amendment proposed to the
Constitution of the United States;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the
Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title.

Mr. Morton moved that the joint resolution be referred to the committee on federal relations;

Mr. O'Grady demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion did not prevail,
by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Forbes,	Mr. Miles,
Bond,	Haire,	Morton,
Colwell,	M. D. Howard,	Munger,

Copley,
Dort,
Dusseau,

Look,
May,
McKernan,

O'Grady,
Pitts,
Wendell,

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NAYS.

Mr. A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Dunlap,
Green,
Haynes,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,

Mr. Kenney,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Mallory,
Mickley,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Sanderson,
Schara,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,

Mr. L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Yawkey,
Speaker pro tem,

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Mr. Brockway moved that the rules be suspended, and that the joint resolution be put upon its immediate passage;

Mr. Bartow demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion prevailed, two-thirds of all the members present voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Green,
Haynes,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,

Mr. Kenney,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Mallory,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Sanderson,
Schara,

Mr. Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,

J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,

Seymour,
Shier,

Yawkey,
Speaker, *pro tem.*,
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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,
Bond,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dusseau,
Forbes,

Mr. Haire,
M. D. Howard,
Look,
May,
McKernan,

Mr. Miles,
Morton,
O'Grady,
Pitts,
Wendell,

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The joint resolution, being Senate manuscript joint-resolution, as follows:

JOINT RESOLUTION ratifying the amendment proposed to the Constitution of the United States.

Whereas, The Congress of the United States, after solemn and mature deliberation thereon, has, by a vote of two-thirds of both Houses, passed "a joint resolution submitting to the legislatures of the several States a proposition to amend the Constitution of the United States," which resolution is in the following words:

"Be it resolved by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That the following article be proposed to the Legislatures of the several States, as an amendment to the Constitution of the United States, which, when ratified by three-fourths of said Legislatures, shall be valid to all intents and purposes, as a part of the Constitution, namely:

ARTICLE XIII.

"Sec. 1. Neither slavery nor involuntary servitude, except as a punishment for crime, whereof the party shall have been duly convicted, shall exist within the United States, or any place subject to their jurisdiction.

"Sec. 2. Congress shall have power to enforce this article by appropriate legislation."

And whereas, American slavery, in its wickedness and infatuation, has added to its many other heinous sins the crime of waging a causeless, cruel and bloody war for the avowed pur-

pose of dividing and destroying the nation, whereby it has forfeited all right to further toleration, and has clearly demonstrated that its continuance is wholly incompatible with the safety and preservation of a free republican government, and that in order to form a more perfect union, establish justice, insure domestic tranquility, provide for the common defense, promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty to ourselves and our posterity, it has become necessary to utterly destroy this barbarous foe of civilization, humanity and religion; therefore

Resolved, by the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan, That in the name and in behalf of the people of this State, we do hereby ratify, approve and assent to said amendment.

Resolved, That a copy of this assent and ratification be engrossed on parchment, and transmitted by His Excellency the Governor, to the United States in Congress assembled,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Bond asked the unanimous consent of the House to substitute the following therefor:

Resolved, That while believing that slavery is an evil which should be voluntarily abolished by each sovereign State wherein it exists, it is entirely a matter of local legislation, with which the Constitution or Congress of the United States should not interfere;

Objected to by Mr. Williams.

Mr. M. D. Howard asked the unanimous consent of the House to amend the resolution by striking out the word "assent," and inserting the word "dissent," where it occurs in the first resolve;

Objected to by Mr. Brockway.

The question being upon the passage of the joint resolution,

The joint resolution was passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

A. Allen,	Mr. Keeler,	Mr. Shier,
G. W. Allen,	Kenney,	Slocum,
Bayley,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
Ball,	Lewis,	W. T. Smith,
Bartow,	Look,	Stewart,
Beach	Mallary,	Taylor,
Boies,	Mickley,	Thomas,
Brockway,	Monroe,	Tupper,
Camburn,	Morton,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	Munger,	Warner,
Dunlap,	Nixon,	Welch,
Green,	Osborn,	Willits,
Haynes,	Pack,	Williams,
M. D. Howard,	Packard,	Winsor,
O. F. Howard,	Phillips,	Woodman,
Jenness,	Reed,	Woodruff,
Jewell,	Sanderson,	Yawkey,
J. H. Jones,	Scharr,	Speaker <i>pro tem.</i> ,
G. C. Jones,	Seymour,	56

NAYS.

Mr. Bond,	Mr. Forbes,	Mr. Miles,
Colwell,	Haire,	O'Grady,
Dort,	May,	Pitta,
Dussean,	McKernan,	Wendell,
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The question then being upon agreeing to the title and preamble,

Mr. O'Grady called for a division of the question, that the question might be taken on the title and first part of the preamble, (including the recited joint resolution of Congress,) and the second part of the preamble, separately.

The question being upon agreeing to the title and first part of the preamble, (including the recited joint resolution of Congress,)

Mr. Look demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the title and first part of the preamble were agreed to, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,	Mr. Kenney,	Mr. Shier,
G. W. Allen,	Lapham,	Slocum,
Bayley,	Lewis,	L. Smith,
Ball,	Look,	W. T. Smith,

Beach,
Boies,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Green,
Haynes, &
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,

Mallary,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,

Stewart,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*,

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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,
Bond,
Colwall,
Dort,
Dussean,

Mr. Forbes,
Haire,
M. D. Howard,
May,
McKernan,

Mr. Miles,
O'Grady,
Pitts,
Wendell,

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The question recurring upon agreeing to the second clause of the preamble,

Mr. O'Grady demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the second clause of the preamble was agreed to, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Green,
Haynes,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,

Mr. Kenney,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Mallary,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,

Mr. Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*,

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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow, Bond, Colwell, Dort, Dusseau, Forbes,	Mr. Haire, M. D. Howard, Look, May, McKernan,	Mr. Miles, Morton, O'Grady, Pitta, Wendell,
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The House then resumed the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to amend sections one and four of an act entitled "an act to remit the specific tax upon mining, manufacturing, melting and other companies of the Upper Peninsula, to the counties in which they arise, for a period of five years, and to provide for the application of the same," approved March 20, 1863,

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bartow, Bond, Colwell, Copley, Dort, Dunlap, Dusseau, Forbes, Haire, Haynes, M. D. Howard, O. F. Howard, Jewell,	Mr. J. H. Jones, G. C. Jones, Keeler, Lewis, Look, May, McKernan, Miles, Morton, O'Grady, Pack, Packard,	Mr. Phillips, Pitta, Reed, L. Smith, W. T. Smith, Taylor, Tupper, Welch, Wendell, Williams, Woodman, Yawkey,
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NAYS.

Mr. A. Allen, G. W. Allen, Bayley, Ball, Beach, Boies, Brockway,	Mr. Lapham, Mallary, Mickley, Munger, Nixon, Sanderson, Schars,	Mr. Slocum, Stewart, Thomas, Van Vleet, Warner, Willits, Winsor,
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Green,
Jenness,
Kenney,

Seymour,
Shier,

Woodruff,
Speaker *pro tem.*,
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On motion of Mr. J. H. Jones,

The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem.*

Roll called: quorum present.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced that the hour had arrived for the consideration of the

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the special order,

Mr. G. W. Allen in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to legalize the action of certain townships, cities and counties, in raising bounties for volunteers;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

G. W. ALLEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Haynes,

The amendments made to the bill were concurred in, *in gross*, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1866. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military and naval service of the United States;

To which the Senate has made the following amendments:

Amend section one by striking out the words "for the term one year," in the sixth line. Also, by striking out the 9th and 10th lines, and all of the 11th line previous to the word "provided." Also, by striking out the last three words in the 18th line, and all of the 19th line except the words "or unless."

Amend section three by striking out the word "two," in the second line, and by inserting "one," in its place.

Amend section 4, by adding at the end of the 4th line the following, viz: "at the time of their enlistment."

Amend section 11, by striking out the last four words in the 4th line, and all of the 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th lines, and by inserting instead thereof the following: "assessed, collected and paid into the county treasury at the same time and in the same manner as moneys raised by tax for State and county purposes; and for that purpose the board of supervisors shall, at their annual session, in October, in each year, ascertain and determine the amount of money to be raised by tax, from such townships, and for such ward of said city, in said county, for the year, to pay such principal and interest; and the clerk of the board shall certify the amount so ascertained and determined, to the county treasurer, and to the supervisor of such township, and to the proper city or ward officer for assessment in the same manner as State and county taxes are certified.

Amend section 73, so that the section shall read as follows:

Sec. 13. Any city or township officer, or other person, who shall use or apply any of the county bonds, in total or in part, or any of the proceeds thereof, or any moneys therefrom to any city or township, contrary to the provisions of the act, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof, be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, nor less than five hundred dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail for a term not less than six months nor more than one year, or by imprisonment in the State Prison for a period not exceeding ten years;

In which amendments the House refused to concur.

And to inform the House that the Senate in committee on the amendments.

I am also directed to inform the House that the Senate has appointed a committee of conference upon the disagreement between the Houses on said bill, and that Messrs. Howland and Forster, on the part of the Senate, have been appointed members of the committee.

Very respectfully

THOS. H.

Secretary

Mr. Haynes moved that a committee be appointed by the House, to confer with the committee of the Senate, on the disagreement of the two Houses on the bill.

Which was agreed to.

The Speaker *pro tem.* appointed as such committee, Messrs. Haynes, Miles and Welch.

Mr. Mickley asked and obtained leave of absence for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

Mr. Look asked and obtained leave of absence for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

Mr. W. T. Smith asked and obtained leave of absence for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

On motion of Mr. J. H. Jones,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning.

Lansing, Friday, February 3, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Roll called: quorum present.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Morton: petition of George H. Stewart, for a seat as member of this House, now occupied by Peter Schars, from the 1st representative district of Macomb county;

Referred to the committee on elections.

By Mr. Copley: petition of Justus Gage and 26 others, inhabitants of the village of Dowagiac, requesting the boundaries of said village, and of fractional school district No. 7, of Silver Creek township, to be enlarged; also, that additional powers be conferred on the trustees of said school district;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Willits: petition of the citizens of Hillsdale, Hillsdale county, asking for a law to equalize and assess, on the taxable property of said township, moneys raised by loans and subscriptions for bounty purposes;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the counties of St. Clair, Lapeer, Genesee and Shiawassee, and the cities and townships of said counties, to pledge their credit in aid of the construction of a railroad from Port Huron to Owosso,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporation
The committee on banks and incorporations referred

A bill to provide for the incorporation of mas
Respectfully report that they have had the consideration, and have directed me to report the the House, without amendment, and recommend pass, and ask to be discharged from the further the subject.

C. F. MALLAR

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporation
The committee on banks and incorporations, to red Senate bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Jonesville, in Hillsdale, to borrow money for the purposes the
Respectfully report that they have had the consideration, and have directed me to report the House, without amendment, and recommend to and ask to be discharged from the further consideration subject.

C. F. MALLAR

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporation
The committee on banks and incorporations, referred

A bill entitled an act to amend sections 2, 10, title five, and sections 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 6 title six, and section 8, of title ten, of the chart Grand Rapids,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations :

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to amend the charter of the city of East Saginaw,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to incorporate the village of White Pigeon,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the following substitute therefor, being

A bill to authorize the legal voters of the village of White Pigeon, in the county of St. Joseph, to organize under the general law for the incorporation of villages, and to alter the boundaries of said village,

And recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The House concurred in the adoption of the report by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred a joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of money to endow the Michigan mining school in the insula,

Respectfully report that they have had the subject under consideration, and have directed me to report the same to the House, without amendment, and recommend its passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

B. M. WILLIAMS

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on printing:

The committee on printing, to whom was referred a joint resolution:

Whereas, The judges of the Supreme Court of this day made a decision on the soldiers' suffrage, equally alike to their independence and ability as judges;

Resolved, That 8,000 copies of the opinions of the said law be published for the use of the members of the House for circulation in the army and among the people.

Respectfully report that they have had the subject under consideration, and have directed me to report the same to the House, without amendment, and recommend its passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. B. SLOCUM

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The resolution was laid on the table.

By the committee on printing:

The committee on printing, to whom was referred the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on printing be instructed to cause all acts passed by the present Legislature, which are ordered to take immediate effect, to be published at once in some newspaper published in Lansing, and that they secure five hundred copies of such paper for the use of the members of this House,

Respectfully report that they had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. B. SLOCUM, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The resolution was adopted.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to amend act No. 231, of session laws of 1861, and to add one section thereto for improving a road in Eaton and Ionia counties,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

LUCIUS KEELER,

For the Committee.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to w

A bill to provide for the laying out of a Sta
village of Lowell, in the county of Kent, to
Hastings, in the county of Barry,

Respectfully report that they have had the
sideration, and have directed me to report the
House, with the accompanying amendment, and
the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask t
from the further consideration of the subject.

LUCIUS

For

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The House concurred in the amendment mad
the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred
of the whole, and placed on the general order.

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICE

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the followin

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SECRETARY'S

Lansing, Februa

To the House of Representatives :

In compliance with a resolution of your ho
transmit herewith a statement of insurance c
ized under the laws of this State:

Name or Title of Company.

Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co.,	Cass County,	.....
" " " "	Lenawee county,	.....
" " " "	Calhoun county,	.....
" " " "	Jackson county,	.....
" " " "	Ingham county,	.....
" " " "	Ionia county,	.....
" " " "	Kent county,	.....
" " " "	Hillsdale county,	.....
" " " "	Branch county,	.....
" " " "	Clinton county,	.....
" " " "	Barry and Eaton county,	...
" " " "	Macomb and St. Clair counti	
" " " "	Van Buren county,	.....

Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Co., Monroe and Wayne counties,.....	Detroit.
" " " " St. Joseph county,.....	Centreville.
German Farmers' Fire Insurance Company, Washtenaw county,.....	Ann Arbor.
Genesee County Mutual Fire Insurance Company,.....	Flint.
Livingston County Mutual Fire Insurance Company,.....	Howell.
Farmers' Mutual Insurance Association, Kalamazoo county,.....	Kalamazoo.
" " " " Berrien county,.....	
Omnia Mutual Fire Insurance Company, of.....	Detroit.
Oakland County Farmers' Mutual Insurance Company,.....	Oxford.
Washtenaw Mutual Fire Insurance Company,.....	Ann Arbor.
Blawie " " " "	
Three Rivers Farmers' Mutual Fire Insurance Company, St. Joseph county,...	Centreville.
St. Joseph County Village Fire Insurance Company,.....	Centreville.
Michigan Home Insurance Company, Oakland county,.....	Oxford.
Michigan Central Insurance Company,.....	Kalamazoo.
State Insurance Company,.....	Lansing.

The foregoing list comprises all companies organized on the mutual plan.

The following is the only company in the State, fully organized as a stock company:

Michigan State Insurance company, Adrian; capital stock, \$100,000, which, by the report of the company, is invested as follows:

Bonds and stocks	\$62,660
Mortgages,	40,400
	<u>\$104,060</u>

But fourteen of the companies named above, have made report to this office, and many of them are of but little value.

At the suggestion of your honorable body, I would recommend the following change in the law:

Amending section 12, act No. 262, laws 1859, so as to require that due proof of publication be furnished this office, or that the notice, together with affidavit of publication, be made a part of the annual statement; also, that said section be amended, or a new section added, to the effect, that if the proper officers of such company shall neglect or refuse to perform any duty imposed by said act, he shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction, be punished by a fine not exceeding one hundred dollars, or imprisonment in the county jail, not exceeding three months, or both such fine and imprisonment, at the discretion of the court.

I am of the opinion that should such companies more than thirty days, from January 1st, in their annual statement, it should be made the duty of State to notify the Prosecuting attorney in which such companies are located, and authorized and instructed to institute legal proceedings against them for such failure.

Yours very respectfully,

JAMES B

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On motion of Mr. Dort,

The communication was referred to the committee on affairs.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE

Lansing, February

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return the following joint resolutions:

1. House joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution requesting our members in the attention of the general government to the construction of light-houses and fog-bells Michilimackinac;

2. House joint resolution No. 7, entitled

Joint resolution in relation to the improvement of the Saginaw river;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H.

Secretary

The joint resolutions were referred to the committee on grossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolutions:

House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution asking the government of the United States to establish a national foundry at Grand Haven, on the eastern shore of Lake Michigan,

Which the Senate has amended as follows:

Strike out, in the second line of the second *Whereas*, the words, "waters of lake," and insert in lieu the words, "lakes on the borders of;"

Also, by striking out all after the word "foundry," in the third line of the resolution, and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "at such place in the State of Michigan, at or near the shore of the lakes, as, in the opinion of the War Department, shall be most proper and suitable for that purpose;"

Also, by amending the title so as to read:

Joint resolution asking the government of the United States to establish a national foundry at some suitable point within the State of Michigan;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Stewart moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the joint resolution by the Senate;

The Speaker *pro tem.* called Mr. Brockway to the chair.

The motion of Mr. Stewart to concur, did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Beach,
Boies,
Bond,

Mr. Forbes,
Gies,
G. C. Jones,

Mr. Morton,
Munger,
O'Grady,

Brockway,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dusseau,

Mallary,
May,
McKernan,
Miles,

NAYS.

Mr. A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Bartow,
Camburn,
Copley,
Green,
Haynes,
O. F. Howard,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
Kenney,
Lapham,

Mr. Lewis,
Monroe,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Reed,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Taylor,

The Speaker *pro tem.* resumed the chair.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the

SENATE (*Lansing, Febr*

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return the following entitled joint resolution:

Joint resolution in relation to the sale of th

In the passage of which the Senate has co-
jority vote of all the Senators elect, and has c
to take immediate effect by a vote of two
Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS.

Secretary

The joint resolution was referred to the c
grossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the foll

SENATE
Lansing, Febr

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return the following bill:

House bill No. 29, entitled .

A bill to amend section 15, of chapter 21 of the compiled laws, relative to the duties of overseers of highways;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and rollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 2, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to legalize certain bonds issued by the board of supervisors of the county of Saginaw, for the relief of families of volunteers;

2. Senate bill No. 44, entitled

A bill to amend section 4, of an act entitled an act to provide for the preservation of the Muskegon river improvement, and to authorize tolls for the same, approved March 16, 1861;

3. Senate bill No. 45, entitled

A bill making appropriations to meet the current expenses of the Reform School for the years 1865 and 1866;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

The second named bill was read a first and title, and referred to the committee on harbor

The third named bill was read a first and title, and referred to the committee on ways

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the fo

SENATE

Lansing, Febr

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to re the following bills:

1. House bill No. 40, entitled

A bill to authorize fractional school districts townships of Sidney, Evergreen, Ferris and county of Montcalm, to issue bonds;

2. House bill No. 15, entitled

A bill to amend section five hundred and so compiled laws, being section eighty-seven, of requiring overseers of highways to give double the amount of money that shall come in

3. House bill No. 33, entitled

A bill creating and providing for the 12th j

In the passage of which the Senate has co jority vote of all the Senators elect, and has o to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thir ators elect.

Very respectful

THOS. I

Secretary

The bills were referred to the committee on e enrollment, for enrollment.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Mr. Mallary moved to reconsider the vote by v refused to pass House bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to amend sections 1 and 4, of an act e to remit the specific tax upon mining, manufact and other companies of the Upper Peninsula, to

which they arise, for a period of five years, and to provide for the application of the same, approved March 20, 1863;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. O'Grady,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Welch moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House manuscript bill, entitled "A bill appropriating certain taxes for the improvement of a road in the counties of Eaton and Ionia, amended and one section added;

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Brockway asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to organize union school district, of the city of Saginaw.

Mr. Van Vleet gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 3, chapter 17, of the compiled laws, being an act to provide for assessing property at its true value, and for levying and collecting taxes thereon.

Mr. Gies gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled an act to abolish the fees of clerks in the Supreme Court, being act No. 231, of the session laws of 1859.

Mr. Woodman, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to extend the time for building the railroad from Pawnee, in the county of Van Buren, to some point on the Michigan Central railroad.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Monroe, previous notice having been being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the payment of a uniform to men volunteering or drafted into the militia of the United States.

Mr. Monroe moved that the rules be suspended and the bill be ordered printed.

On motion of Mr. O'Grady,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Warner, previous notice having been being granted, introduced

A bill for the encouragement of agriculture and the mechanic arts.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on agriculture and horticulture.

Mr. Copley, previous notice having been being granted, introduced

A bill to enlarge the boundaries of the village of

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on banks and incorporation.

Mr. Yawkey gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act to amend section 2, of an act to incorporate a board of education for Saginaw, approved February 15th, 1859."

Mr. Woodman offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on State affairs be and they are to prepare and report to this House a bill to reorganizing anew the Senatorial and Representative districts of this State;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Woodman moved to reconsider the vote by which the House adopted the resolution authorizing the passage of local laws passed by the Legislature, in some cases, in the city of Lansing;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,
the resolution was recommitted to the committee on printing.
Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would
leave to introduce
a bill to appropriate half a section of State swamp lands to
be sold, on the Ithica and St. Charles State road, in Gratiot
and Saginaw counties.
The House having arrived at the order of third reading of
bills and resolutions,
on motion of Mr. Welch,
the order of third reading of bills and resolutions was passed
unanimously.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the joint committee
on amendments to the constitution, be and they are hereby in-
structed to submit to the people a clause to change the consti-
tutional provision prohibiting license for the sale of ardent
spirits or other intoxicating liquors;

The resolution was adopted.

Also the following resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Secretary of
State be, and he is hereby required to furnish to each circuit
court commissioner, in the State of Michigan, who are not al-
ready provided with the same, one copy of the compiled laws,
and the subsequent session laws;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Warner asked the unanimous consent of the House to in-
troduce the following:

Resolved, That hereafter, until further ordered, only 1,000
copies of the journal be printed daily for the use of the House;
Objected to by Mr. Bond.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,
The House went into committee of the whole, on the general
order,

Mr. G. C. Jones in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee, through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bills:

1. House bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 4 of the laws.

2. House bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Jackson, approved February 14, 1857;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and their chairman to report the same back to the committee of the whole for concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bills:

3. House bill No. 44, entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of the county of Ottawa, to appoint commissioners to assess the value of tolls and charges, and to aid in the improvement of the harbor at Black Lake, in said county;

4. House bill No. 47, entitled

A bill to amend section three thousand six hundred and seven, of the compiled laws, relating to the procedure in actions before justices of the peace;

Have made no amendment thereto, and their chairman to report the same back to the House and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 17, entitled

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of money from the treasury to endow female colleges in the several counties.

Have made no amendment thereto, and their chairman to report the same back to the House and recommend its passage.

G. C. JONES

Report accepted and committee discharged.
On motion of Mr. Mallary,
The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee to the first and second named bills, *in gross*.
On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,
The several bills and joint resolution were placed on the order of third reading.
On motion of Mr. Bond,
The House took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker pro tem.

Roll called: quorum present.

By unanimous consent, the following report was received:

The committee of conference, to whom was referred the disagreements of the two Houses, to the amendments made by the Senate, to House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military and naval service of the United States,

Have considered the same, and respectfully recommend:

1. That the Senate amendment striking out the words "for the term of one year," in the 6th line of section 1, of said bill, be concurred in;

2. That said bill be amended by striking out the words "one hundred," in the 8th line of section 1, of said bill, and by inserting instead thereof, the words, "one hundred and fifty;"

3. That the Senate recede from its amendment, striking out the 9th and 10th lines, and all of the 11th line, previous to the word "provided;"

4. That the amendment made by the Senate striking out the last three words in the 18th line, and all of the 19th line, except the words "or unless," be concurred in;

5. That the amendment made by the Senate striking out the

word "two," in the second line of section three, and inserting the word "one," in place thereof; and also the amendments made by the Senate to the 4th, 11th and 13th sections of the bill be concurred in;

6. Amend section one of the bill, by inserting before the word "provided," in the 11th line, the words "in lieu of all other State bounties."

HARVEY HAYNES,

Chairman of House Committee.

Mr. Van Vleet moved that the House concur in the recommendations of the committee of conference;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Bartew,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Camburn,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Forbes,
Gies,
Green,
Haire,
Haynes,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,

Mr. G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Mallary,
May,
McKernan,
Miles,
Monroe,
Munger,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,

Mr. Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Tupper,
Van Vleet,
Welch,
Wendell,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*,

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NAYS.

Mr. Copley,
O. F. Howard,

Mr. Morton,
Stewart,

Mr. Warner,

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MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 8, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has concurred in the amendments and recommendations made by the committee of conference, to whom was referred the disagreement of the two Houses, on House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military and naval service of the United States;

Said amendments and recommendations being as follows:

1. That the Senate amendment striking out the words "for the term of one year," in the 6th line of section one of said bill, be concurred in;

2. That said bill be amended by striking out the words "one hundred," in the 8th line of section one of said bill, and by inserting instead thereof the words "one hundred and fifty;"

3. That the Senate recede from its amendment, striking out the 9th and 10th lines, and all of the 11th line previous to the word "provided," in section one;

4. That the amendment made by the Senate, striking out the last three words in the 18th line and all of the 19th line except the words "or unless," be concurred in;

5. That the amendment made by the Senate, striking out the word "two," in the 2d line of section three, and inserting the word "one," in the place thereof;

And also the amendments made by the Senate, to the 4th, 11th and 13th sections of the bill, be concurred in;

6. That section one be amended by inserting in the 11th line before the word "provided," the following "in lieu of all other State bounties."

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The message was laid on the table.

The bill was then referred to the committee on and enrollment, for enrollment.

Mr. Mallary offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk of the House is hereby send a printed copy of bill No. 78, as passed, to clerk in the State;

Mr. McKernan offered the following as a substitute:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be, authorized to have printed and forwarded as so copies of the act "To provide for the payment volunteers in the military and naval service States," to the supervisor and township clerk of each township in this State; also to the clerk of each city;

Which was adopted.

Mr. G. W. Allen asked and obtained leave of absence of himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

Mr. Mallary asked and obtained leave of absence of himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

Mr. J. H. Jones moved that the House adjourn for three days;

Mr. Boies moved to amend the motion, by striking out the words "three days;"

Which motion prevailed.

The motion to adjourn did not prevail.

Mr. Welch asked and obtained leave of absence of himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

Mr. J. H. Jones asked and obtained leave of absence of himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

Mr. Seymour asked and obtained leave of absence of himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

By unanimous consent, Mr. Haynes presented "Memorial of H. G. Wells, asking an appropriation for the establishment of a State cultural College of this State, and remonstrating against the removal of said College."

On motion of Mr. Warner,

The memorial was referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures, and was ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the memorial:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, a citizen of the county of Kalamazoo, and for four years last past a member of the "Board of Agriculture," would respectfully represent that the proposition submitted to your honorable bodies by the Executive Committee of the State Agricultural Society, to remove the "Agricultural College" to some more eligible locality, should be carefully examined and thoroughly canvassed before the same is assented to and finally determined. "Save me from pretended friends, and I will hold in check mine enemies," might well be the exclamation of the authority having in charge the Agricultural College of Michigan. Professions of friendship have heretofore oftentimes preceded the attempt to injure and destroy. The undersigned would insist that the statements embodied in the long list of "whereas," preceding the resolutions adopted by the "Executive Committee of the Agricultural Society," are not established facts, by any means; on the contrary, they are the mere "fancy opinions" of gentlemen, very respectable, it is true, in their several positions in life, but seemingly with limited opportunities for observation on this, a subject of grave importance to the masses of the people, and reaching conclusions, not very creditable to the intelligence of a body of men, who by some kind of fiction, are supposed to exercise executive power and ability, after a proper show of thought, research and thinking qualities.

The undersigned would not assert that the location of the Agricultural College is the best that could be made in the State of Michigan, but he begs leave most respectfully to insist that the averments in the preamble presented to the Legislature by this committee, are not averments of fact, or even reasonable conclusions, to wit: that the College has thus far "failed to

meet the expectations of its friends and to secure the sympathy and coöperation of the farmers of the State, for whose especial benefit it was created, from the simple fact of its unfortunate and inaccessible location." It will be recollected that the College was first opened for the reception of students in 1857; that it was planned and inaugurated before a single other institution of the kind existed in the United States; that it had no precedent from which it could adopt all that was good or avoid that which had been proved and tried, as evil. With a boldness and confidence in ultimate good results, a former Legislature carried out the constitutional provision and established the Agricultural College, estimating, undoubtedly, that in the lapse of time, practice would cure many difficulties resulting from inexperience. Admit that its location, at the time made was not as fortunate as might have been; that errors in its management have occurred; that large amounts were imprudently expended in the erection of the College, its boarding-hall and dwelling-houses for the professors—all this is far from establishing the fact that it now fails to have the sympathy of the farmers of the State.

The objection of "inaccessible location," is obviated to a certain extent, by the opening of the Railroad from Owosso to Lansing, and the more recent completion of railroad communication from the Saginaw Valley to the Detroit and Milwaukee Railway, easy access is given to the people of a large portion of the State, to reach the College within the compass of twelve hours. A line of road is now in process of construction from Lansing to Jackson, with a certainty of completion before the next regular session of the Legislature: this done, and the phrase of the Executive Committee, "*inaccessible location*," will have as little meaning in connexion with the "Agricultural College," as, I trust, their resolutions will have force with your honorable bodies, in inducing legislative provision for its removal. Your own wise forethought has, undoubtedly, contemplated the extension of the Grand Trunk Railroad, from Port Huron to the southerly extreme of Lake Michigan. The char.

acter of the country intervening between these points, and the lines of Railroad already constructed across the Peninsula, indicate that the city of Lansing will be a prominent point on this great thoroughfare. In view of the past, and the unfaltering confidence of your petitioner in the future power and progress of the American people, I believe this road, over the line suggested, will soon be constructed; and then, I have no doubt, the gentlemen who drafted the resolutions, and the Executive committee of the State Agricultural Society, who, in due ceremonial, adopted them, will each and every one of them, deny that they ever used the phrase "inaccessible location," in connection with the Agricultural College.

Intending to be respectful to your honorable bodies, and desiring more especially not to make statements in this, a petition for your consideration, not entirely in accordance with the truth, I do insist that the College has received careful attention from its managing board during the past four years; that it has been, during that time, steadily growing in favor with the people; that by improvements made in connexion with the real estate; by reorganizing its labor system to some considerable extent; by changing its course of study, so as to give more of the practical in its system of education, the College has actually made progress, and bids fair, at no distant day to become, in the estimate of all, an honor to the State.

In its history, one of the impediments to advancement has ever been the uncertainty of its continued existence. The student could have no guarantee this year that the appropriation would be continued for the next. He hesitated to enter an institution where the liability existed that his four years' course would be interrupted by a failure on the part of the Legislature to make the annual appropriation. This uncertainty is measurably past. The Congressional grant gives the Legislature assurance that in the no distant future the sale of the 240,000 acres of land will furnish a fund, munificent and ample, to sustain a college where thousands of the young men of the coun-

try will be trained "in such branches of learn to agriculture and the mechanic arts."

I pray your honorable bodies that prompt the question of the removal of the College, for agitated, it interferes with the action of the ture in its arrangement for the current year.

In view of the fact that this College recognizes the principle that manual labor is honorable, and edge that other of the States are now moving ment of "Agricultural Colleges," so as to av the congressional land grants; that the ab country are devising systems and plans, by v good to the greatest number, will be realized ficent donations; and more especially since Providence, is now in our day, establishing t throughout the South as well as the North, th able and entitled to its reward, it becomes y to carefully move in all matters appertaining interests of the people of Michigan.

Your petitioner, with all due respect for t your honorable bodies, would beg leave to time is past for the consideration of the quest the location of the "Agricultural College" w cious that could have been made. The Col chased and paid for; the buildings have bee extent are sufficient to accommodate more t and twenty students. An able corps of profes are now employed, all impressed with the id perfected plans, that, during the coming tw character can and will be given to the Institi mation of the people of Michigan, than during history.

Permit me here especially to invite your att that a class of pupils, now in the common sch are looking forward to this College as the c with the glorious privilege of self labor, they

elves forward to take position among the intelligent farmers, mechanics, and professional men of their time. They are the sons of fathers who, in the storm of battle, have gone down in defense of that flag which this day, spreading its ample folds over your halls of legislation, gives evidence that you and all the people of this State are free—that Michigan is still of the Union, an inseparable part of the government, which has now, and will forever have power and strength to sustain itself against traitors at home or enemies abroad.

Your petitioner would respectfully ask that a liberal appropriation for the Agricultural College for the coming two years be made by your honorable bodies, and that all legislation contemplating a removal of the College be indefinitely postponed, and your petitioner, as in duty bound, will ever pray.

HEZEKIAH G. WELLS,
of Kalamazoo, Michigan.

Mr. Morton moved that the House adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Warner moved that the House go into committee of the whole, on the general order;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Saturday, February 4, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Roll called: *querum present*.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Jenness, Monroe and Pitts.

Mr. Mallary asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Jenness, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Haynes asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Monroe, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Dusseau asked and obtained leave of Pitts, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Stewart asked and obtained leave of a definite time, for the committee on the Asylum from and after Tuesday next.

On motion of Mr Williams,

The House adjourned until next Tuesday o'clock.

Lansing, Tuesday, Feb

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, at 10 o'clock, on order by the Speaker.

Roll called, and the following members answered: names: Messrs. Cady, Haynes, Hazen, Jewell, Lewis, Mallary, Maxwell, McKernan, Monroe, Schars, Shier, Slocum, Wendell, Willits, Williams.

There not being a quorum of the House present,

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning.

Lansing, Wednesday, Feb

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, at 10 o'clock, on order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hickox.

Roll called, and the following members answered: names: Messrs. Aitken, Bartow, Beach, Brockwell, Dunlap, Fisher, Green, Haire, Hawley, Haynes, G. C. Jones, Lewis, Mallary, Maxwell, McKernan, Mickley, Monroe, Newcomb, O'Grady, Rowe, Slocum, Taylor, Tupper, Utley, Van Vleet, Williams, Yawkey—36.

• There not being a quorum present,

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning.

Lansing, Thursday, February 9, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Burns.

Roll called, and the following members answered to their names: Messrs. Aitken, Bartow, Beach, Bond, Brockway, Cady, Cobb, Colwell, Copley, Dort, Dunlap, Fellows, Fisher, Green, Hawley, Haynes, Hazen, Jewell, G. C. Jones, Landon, Lewis, Mallary, Maxwell, McKay, McKernan, Mickley, Monroe, Munger, Newcomb, Nixon, O'Grady, Phillips, Reed, Rowe, Sander-son, Shier, Slocum, Taylor, Tupper, Utley, Van Vleet, Welch, Wendell, Wilcox, Willits, Williams, Winsor, Woodworth, Yawkey, Speaker—50.

There not being a quorum present,

Mr. O'Grady moved that there be a call of the House;

Which motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CALL.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, and the following members were reported absent without leave: Messrs. A. Allen, Ball, Boies, Camburn, Clements, Dusseau, Forbes, Gies, Griswold, Haire, Horton, O. F. Howard, Kenney, Laing, Lapham, May, Miles, Osborn, Pack, Packard, Pitts, Schars, Seymour, L. Smith, Thomas, Warner, Woodruff.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House adjourned until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met pursuant, to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

By Mr. Williams: remonstrance of Hiram Hayden, and 92 others, citizens of Van Buren remonstrating against a State road being laid from South Haven, in said county;

Also: remonstrance of H. M. Marshall, Alton, and 85 others, citizens of Van Buren remonstrating against a State road being laid from South Haven, in said county;

Referred to the committee on public lands

By Mr. Williams: petition of H. M. Marshall, J. B. Porter, and 45 others, citizens of LaPorte, Van Buren, praying for a law to enable the State to assess and raise by tax, bonds, or otherwise, money for subscriptions paid to raise volunteers on the frontiers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties

By Mr. Bond: remonstrance of K. C. Barker of Detroit, and officers and aldermen of said city, against unjust, oppressive and burdensome legislation relating to taxation, without the sanction of the people affected thereby;

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The remonstrance was laid on the table.

By Mr. Taylor: petition of H. P. Woodruff for the laying out and establishing a State road from South Haven to Swan Creek;

Also: petition for an appropriation of swampy lands for draining swamps on the Shiawassee river, in Saginaw county;

Also: report of the civil engineer on the improvement of the Saginaw river;

Which were referred to the committee on public lands

By Mr. McKernan: petition of James Bendy and 42 others, asking that the township of L'Angeles be organized into a county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties

By Mr. Maxwell: memorial of Henry B. Hawley, asking for seat in this House from the second district of Ingham county, now occupied by John D. Woodworth;

Referred to the committee on elections.

By Mr. Maxwell: memorial of Peter Mulvany, asking for the seat in this House now held by George R. McKay;

Also: a letter from Hon. George R. McKay;

The memorial was referred to the committee on elections.

On motion of Mr. Winsor,

The letter was laid on the table.

By Mr. Lewis: petition of R. D. Black, B. A. Wood, Amasa May, and 98 others, citizens and freeholders of the county of Tuscola, for an appropriation of swamp lands to improve the state road and mail route from Watrousville, in said county, to Newaing, in Huron county;

Also: petition of H. C. Marvin, and 89 others, citizens and taxpayers of the county of Tuscola, asking for the location of state road and an appropriation of swamp lands to aid in its construction;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Hazen: remonstrance of L. Palmerlee and others, voters of the township of East China, against the division of said township;

Also: remonstrance of Wm. T. Brown and others, against the division of the township of East China, in St. Clair county.

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Hazen: petition of the township board, and other taxpayers of the township of Columbus, St. Clair county, asking for the legalizing of the bounty bonds issued by said township;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Utley: petition of A. E. Upton, Alvin W. Scott, and 18 others, of Newaygo county, praying that chapter 10 of the compiled laws, in relation to certain duties and compensation of county surveyors, may be amended;

Also: petition of Ceylon C. Fuller, James H. Rogers, and 23 others, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on S

By Mr. McKay: petition of Jo
ble, and other citizens of Marshall,
city;

Referred to the committee on ba

By Mr. Willits: petition of H. B.
others, asking for the passage of a
county surveyors;

Referred to the committee on Sta

By Mr. Aitkin: petition of the tow
Burton, Genesee county, and 28 othe
ship, asking the passage of a law to
bounty money paid to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war l

By the Speaker: petition of E. L. S
tax-payers of Pavillion, Kalamazoo c
authorizing the refunding of bounty m

Referred to the committee on war bo

By the Speaker: petition of D. H. Pe
Emmet county, asking to have cert
county attached to Antrim county;

Referred to the committee on towns a

By Mr. Copley: petition of Harlow O
asking for an increase of compensation o

Referred to the committee on State affa

By Mr. Welch: petition of the townshi
ship of Portland, Ionia county, relative to

Referred to the committee on war bount

By Mr. Newcomb: petition of John M.
ter, and 42 others, asking a law to refund l

Referred to the committee on war bounti

By Mr. Newcomb: petition of Wm. W. B
51 others, asking for a law making it a pen
toxicating drinks on election days;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary

By Mr. Fellows: petition of John James, (

and 80 others, citizens of the town of Alamo, in the county of Lamazoo, asking the passage of an act allowing them the privilege of assessing upon said township an amount of money borrowed to pay bounties to volunteers;

Also: petition of V. C. Smith, Abiel Fellows, and 40 others, residents of the township of Prairie Ronde, in the county of Lamazoo, praying the passage of an act authorizing them to levy a tax upon said township, to refund money borrowed for county purposes;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Sanderson: petition of the township board of the township of Tekonsha, Calhoun county, asking that a law be passed legalizing the action of said township in raising moneys to pay volunteers to fill the quota of said township under the last call of the President for men;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Reed: petition of Robert Wilson, John Douglass and 11 others, electors of the township of Stockbridge, Ingham county, asking a law legalizing their acts in voting a bounty to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Dunlap: petition of John S. Dixon and others, for a new county;

Also: petition of Geo. H. Lyon and others, asking the Legislature to annex certain (unorganized) towns to the township of Lena;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Phillips: petition of P. S. Lyman, E. L. Lyman, and eight others, of the townships of Antrim and Shiawassee, praying that certain territory belonging to the township of Antrim be attached to the township of Shiawassee;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Jewell: petition of Bliss Sexton and 60 others, taxpayers of Kent county, asking for an appropriation of State swamp lands to drain Rice Lake, and improve the navigation of Rouge river; -

Referred to the committee on public works.

By Mr. Green: petition of S. W. Van Houghton, and 80 other citizens of the county of Eaton, asking for an act authorizing the county of Eaton to pledge itself to constructing a railroad from Jackson in the manner as to place all authority in the hands wholly in the voice of the electors of the county.

Also: petition of Peter Hackenbusch, and 101 other citizens of Eaton county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on banks and currency.

By Mr. Green: petition of S. W. May and others, for the improvement of a high road through Clinton counties;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Colwell: memorial of Solomon May, asking for the seat in this House now occupied by the district of Livingston county;

Referred to the committee on elections.

By Mr. Shier: petition of A. Campbell, and others, of the township of Pittsfield, Washtenaw county, for bounties paid volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war and navy.

By Mr. Hawley: petition of Detroit bankers, asking for the passage of a law authorizing the stamping of counterfeit and worthless bank bills;

On motion of Mr. Hawley,

The petition was referred to the committee on corporations, and was ordered printed in the Journal.

The following is the petition:

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, bankers of the city of Detroit, respectfully ask your honorable body, to enact a law authorizing the stamping of counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills.

W. Ingersoll, Cashier Mich. Wm. D. Morton, Cashier Far-
Ins. Bank, Detroit, with mers' & Mechanics' Bank,
the following proviso: that C. M. Davison, 2d Nat., De-
in case a bank or banker troit,
shall stamp a note as coun- A. Ives & Son,
terfeit, altered or worthless, Vincent & Scott,
and such note shall after- Duncan, Kibbee & Co.,
wards be found to be gen- Kellogg, Granger & Sabin,
uine, or worth the sum ex- L. W. Wallace & Co.,
pressed on its face, such Fred. L. Seitz & Co.,
bank or banker shall only A. H. Adams, Cashier Savings
be liable for the amount Bank,
of the note so stamped. David Preston,
Emory Wendell, Cashier 1st Wm. A. Butler & Co.,
National Bank, Detroit, M. A. H. Dey.

By Mr. Hawley: petition of Wm. A. Howard and others,
for the passage of a law to authorize the stamping of
counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills;

On motion of Mr. Hawley,

The petition was referred to the committee on banks and in-
corporations, and was ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the petition:

to the Hon. the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, citizens of Detroit, would respectfully peti-
tion your honorable body to enact a law authorizing and re-
quiring banks and bankers to stamp counterfeit, altered and
worthless bank bills.

Wm. A. Howard,	M. H. Maynard,
Town & Sheldon,	F. Buhl & Co.,
D. Bethune Duffield, with the	Charles Fargo, for American
proviso to be inserted mak-	Express Co.,
ing banks liable, in case of	R. N. Rice, Supt. M. O. R. R.,
erroneous stamping, to the	John Hosmer,
extent of the value of the	G. W. Bissell,
bill.	Jefferson Wiley,
Elisha Taylor,	M. Johnson,

Samuel Zug,	C
E. Lauderdale,	B
Rollin C. Smith,	D.
Sidney D. Miller,	M
Charles H. Steele,	T.
John Stephens & Co.,	Fr
Joseph Aspinall,	Th
Duncan Stewart,	F.
Alex. Lewis,	H.
H. P. Bridge,	The
John S. Patton,	Joh
John Bagley,	B. C
John J. Bagley & Co.,	E. R
Beatty & Fitzsimons,	R. H
Moses W. Field & Co.,	Jame
B. Vernor, .	Ray i
James S. Blair,	T. J.
P. Young,	W. H
A. W. Copland,	Geo. V
H. W. Beeson,	J. F. C
Garrison & Newberry,	W. K.
D. E. Harbaugh,	R. R
H. T. Backus,	Stephe
J. S. Conklin,	J. P. A
Robert E. Roberts,	Farran
James Nall, Jr., & Co.,	Lyman
A. C. McGraw & Co.,	Gunn &
Heavenrich Bros.,	M. Limb
S. Freedman & Bros.,	Edw. Le
Ferner & Kraukaar,	C. Mann
Wm. Snow,	G. & R. I
J. S. Cuthbert,	W. S. Pe
J. W. Moore,	Campbell
N. D. Lapham,	Edwards
William N. Stewart,	Richard E
Samuel Adams,	Charles C.

Joseph Beed & Co.,	J. J. Noyes,
A. Rucker & Co.,	T. A. Parker,
A. Simmons,	Ducharme & Prentiss,
C. G. Standart & Co.,	Laible, Wright & Hopkins,
Ed. Stearns,	J. Moon,
Ed. B. Porter,	Geo. Winter,
Burns & Co.,	H. A. Christensen,
Wm. Busch,	H. C. Knight,
A. Orleman, Jr.,	John Hawley,
Wm. Henderson,	R. Gardner,
James Donaldson,	T. W. Lockwood.
Bour & Co.,	
Detroit, Feb. 6, 1865.	

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

the committee on ways and means:

the committee on ways and means, to whom was referred the joint resolution No. 5, entitled "A joint resolution authorizing the Auditor General to pay Lydia Lewis certain moneys," respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

by the committee on ways and means:

the committee on ways and means, to whom was referred the bill No. 28, entitled "A bill to provide means to complete and keep in repair the Soldiers' National Cemetery, at Gettysburg, Pa.," respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,

and ask to be discharged from the subject.

Report accepted and committee

The bill was referred to the committee and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means

The committee on ways and means report on Senate bill No. 27, entitled

A bill making appropriations for Normal School,

Respectfully report that they have had the bill under consideration, and have directed me to report the same to the House, with the accompanying amendments, and that the amendment be concurred in, so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. I.

Report accepted and committee discharged

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the amendments and discharged the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom

A bill to provide for the service of garnishee orders on co-partnership or firms not incorporated doing business in this State, who are citizens of this State,

Respectfully report that they have had the bill under consideration, and have directed me to report the same to the House, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, Jr.

Report accepted and committee discharged

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to legalize the tax-roll of the village of Lowell, in the county of Kent, for the years 1862, 1863 and 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A joint resolution for the relief of Carlos B. Plumb,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying substitute to the House, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The joint resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on engrossment and enrollment:

The committee on engrossment and enrollment, report as cor-

rectly enrolled, signed and presented to the following bills and joint resolutions:

A bill for creating and forming a twelfth ja

Also,

A bill to provide for the payment of bounty in the military or naval service of the United

Also,

A bill to amend section 979, of the compilation of duties upon sales at auction;

Also,

A bill to authorize school district No. 2, Lawrence, in the county of Van Buren, to

Also,

A bill to amend section seven, of chapter sixty-six, of the compiled laws, relative to fraudulent debtors;

Also,

A bill to authorize any of the towns of Oakland and Macomb to pledge their construction of a railroad from Ridgeway, on way, to or near the village of Holly, on Waukegan Railroad;

Also,

A bill to authorize the State Treasurer to redeem the notes of the late Government Stock now remaining in his office, and the notes in his condition;

Also,

A bill to authorize fractional school townships of Sidney, Evergreen, Ferrisburgh, and county of Montcalm, to issue bonds;

Also,

A bill to amend section five hundred and thirty of the compiled laws, being section eighty-four, requiring overseers of highways to double the amount of money that shall

Also,

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Ontonagon to raise money, by tax or otherwise, for the protection and improvement of the harbor at the mouth of the Ontonagon river;

Also,

A bill to amend section 15, of chapter 21, of the compiled laws, relative to the duties of overseers of highways;

Also,

A bill to provide for the payment of the officers and members of the Legislature, for the year 1865;

Also,

A bill to authorize the Governor of this State to convey certain lands;

Also,

A bill to change the name of Truman W. Willey, of the town of Ray, in the county of Macomb, to Truman Gass;

Also,

Joint resolution in relation to the improvement of the mouth of the Saginaw river;

Also,

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of lands by Congress, for the construction of a wagon road from Zakansuba to Sault Ste. Marie;

Also,

Joint resolution in relation to a certain claim in the county of Monroe;

Also,

Joint resolution requesting our members in Congress to call the attention of the general government to the importance of the construction of light-houses and fog-bells on the Straits of Michilimackinac;

Also,

Joint resolution in relation to the sale of the compiled laws.

JOHN LANDON, *Chairman*.

Report accepted.

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Green: petition of S. W. Moyer, Carlos Van Houghton, and 80 other citizens of the town of the county of Eaton, asking for an amendment to the constitution of the county of Eaton to pledge its credit in constructing a railroad from Jackson to Grand Rapids in such manner as to place all authority in reference thereto wholly in the voice of the electors of each town.

Also: petition of Peter Hackenburg, Martin Hawkins, and 101 other citizens of Eaton county on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on banks and insurance.

By Mr. Green: petition of S. W. Moyer, Alvah Green, and others, for the improvement of a highway in Clinton counties;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Colwell: memorial of Solomon L. Colwell, of the seat in this House now occupied by Wm. Colwell, of the district of Livingston county;

Referred to the committee on elections.

By Mr. Shier: petition of A. Campbell, and others, citizens of the township of Pittsfield, Washtenaw county, for bounties paid volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounty.

By Mr. Hawley: petition of Detroit bankers for the passage of a law authorizing the stamping of counterfeit and worthless bank bills;

On motion of Mr. Hawley,

The petition was referred to the committee on corporations, and was ordered printed in the report of the committee.

The following is the petition:

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, bankers of the city of Detroit, respectfully and fully ask your honorable body, to enact a law for the stamping of counterfeit, altered and w

<p>W. Ingersoll, Cashier Mich. Ins. Bank, Detroit, with the following proviso: that in case a bank or banker shall stamp a note as counterfeit, altered or worthless, and such note shall afterwards be found to be genuine, or worth the sum expressed on its face, such bank or banker shall only be liable for the amount of the note so stamped.</p> <p>Emory Wendell, Cashier 1st National Bank, Detroit, M.</p>	<p>Wm. D. Morton, Cashier Farmers' & Mechanics' Bank,</p> <p>C. M. Davison, 2d Nat., Detroit,</p> <p>A. Ives & Son,</p> <p>Vincent & Scott,</p> <p>Duncan, Kibbee & Co.,</p> <p>Kellogg, Granger & Sabin,</p> <p>L. W. Wallace & Co.,</p> <p>Fred. L. Seitz & Co.,</p> <p>A. H. Adams, Cashier Savings Bank,</p> <p>David Preston,</p> <p>Wm. A. Butler & Co.,</p> <p>A. H. Dey.</p>
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By Mr. Hawley: petition of Wm. A. Howard and others, asking for the passage of a law to authorize the stamping of counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills;

On motion of Mr. Hawley,

The petition was referred to the committee on banks and incorporations, and was ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the petition:

To the Hon. the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, citizens of Detroit, would respectfully petition your honorable body to enact a law authorizing and requiring banks and bankers to stamp counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills.

<p>Wm. A. Howard,</p> <p>Town & Sheldon,</p> <p>D. Bethune Duffield, with the proviso to be inserted making banks liable, in case of erroneous stamping, to the extent of the value of the bill.</p> <p>Elisha Taylor,</p>	<p>M. H. Maynard,</p> <p>F. Buhl & Co.,</p> <p>Charles Fargo, for American Express Co.,</p> <p>R. N. Rice, Supt. M. O. R. R.,</p> <p>John Hoamer,</p> <p>G. W. Bissell,</p> <p>Jefferson Wiley,</p> <p>M. Johnson,</p>
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Samuel Zug,	C. A. Sherman
E. Lauderdale,	Buckley & Co
Rollin C. Smith,	Dickinson & I
Sidney D. Miller,	Moore, Foot
Charles H. Steele,	T. H. Hinch
John Stephens & Co.,	Francis Ray
Joseph Aspinall,	Thos. F. Ab
Duncan Stewart,	F. Carlisle,
Alex. Lewis,	H. P. Balda
H. P. Bridge,	Theo. H. E
John S. Patton,	John Hute
John Bagley,	B. O'Grady
John J. Bagley & Co.,	E. R. Mat
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Moses W. Field & Co.,	James As
B. Vernor, .	Ray Had
James S. Blair,	T. J. Ha
P. Young,	W. H. C
A. W. Copland,	Geo. V.
H. W. Beeson,	J. F. Co
Garrison & Newberry,	W. K. M
D. E. Harbaugh,	R. R.
H. T. Backus,	Stephe
J. S. Conklin,	J. P. A
Robert E. Roberts,	Farran
James Nall, Jr., & Co.,	Lymar
A. C. McGraw & Co.,	Gunn
Heavenrich Bros.,	M. Li
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Joseph Beed & Co.,	J. J. Noyes,
W. A. Rucker & Co.,	T. A. Parker,
A. A. Simmons,	Ducharme & Prentiss,
Geo. G. Standart & Co.,	Laible, Wright & Hopkins,
Fred. Stearns,	J. Moon,
Fred. B. Porter,	Geo. Winter,
E. Burns & Co.,	H. A. Christensen,
Thas. Busch,	H. O. Knight,
A. Orleman, Jr.,	John Hawley,
Wm. Henderson,	R. Gardner,
James Donaldson,	T. W. Lockwood.
Bour & Co.,	

Detroit, Feb. 6, 1865.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

by the committee on ways and means:

the committee on ways and means, to whom was referred
a joint resolution No. 5, entitled

a joint resolution authorizing the Auditor General to pay Lydia
Athews certain moneys,

respectfully report that they have had the same under con-
sideration, and have directed me to report the same back to
House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,
ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the
subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the
whole, and placed on the general order.

by the committee on ways and means:

the committee on ways and means, to whom was referred
a bill No. 28, entitled

a bill to provide means to complete and keep in repair the
Soldiers' National Cemetery, at Gettysburg, Pa.,

respectfully report that they have had the same under con-
sideration, and have directed me to report the same back to
House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,

and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GRE

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to which was referred Senate bill No. 27, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the support of the Normal School,

Respectfully report that they have had the bill under consideration, and have directed me to report to the House, with the accompanying amendment, that the amendment be concurred in, and so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. G

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the amendment and discharged the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to which was referred

A bill to provide for the service of garnishment on partners of co-partnership or firms not incorporated doing business in this State, who are residents of this State,

Respectfully report that they have had the bill under consideration, and have directed me to report to the House, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONE

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to legalize the tax-roll of the village of Lowell, in the county of Kent, for the years 1862, 1863 and 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

Joint resolution for the relief of Carlos B. Plumb,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying substitute to the House, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. U. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The joint resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on engrossment and enrollment:

The committee on engrossment and enrollment, report as cor-

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. McKay: petition of Joseph S. Frink, Charles B. Dibble, and other citizens of Marshall, to amend the charter of said city;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Willits: petition of H. B. Rowson, C. E. Mott, and 18 others, asking for the passage of a law increasing the fees of county surveyors;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Aitkin: petition of the town board of the township of Burton, Genesee county, and 28 other tax-payers of said township, asking the passage of a law to raise, by tax, and refund bounty money paid to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By the Speaker: petition of E. L. Smith and some 80 others, tax-payers of Pavillion, Kalamazoo county, asking for a law authorizing the refunding of bounty money;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By the Speaker: petition of D. H. Pearl, and other citizens of Emmet county, asking to have certain townships in said county attached to Antrim county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Copley: petition of Harlow O. Banks and 33 others, asking for an increase of compensation of county surveyors;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Welch: petition of the township board of the township of Portland, Ionia county, relative to soldiers' bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Newcomb: petition of John M. Barion, Joel Carpenter, and 42 others, asking a law to refund bounty money;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Newcomb: petition of Wm. W. Bliss, F. L. Eaton and 51 others, asking for a law making it a penal offense to sell intoxicating drinks on election days;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Fellows: petition of John James, Charles P. Russell,

Also,

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Ontonagon to raise money, by tax or otherwise, for the protection and improvement of the harbor at the mouth of the Ontonagon river;

Also,

A bill to amend section 15, of chapter 21, of the compiled laws, relative to the duties of overseers of highways;

Also,

A bill to provide for the payment of the officers and members of the Legislature, for the year 1865;

Also,

A bill to authorize the Governor of this State to convey certain lands;

Also,

A bill to change the name of Truman W. Willey, of the town of Ray, in the county of Macomb, to Truman Gase;

Also,

Joint resolution in relation to the improvement of the mouth of the Saginaw river;

Also,

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of lands by Congress, for the construction of a wagon road from Eskanaba to Sault Ste. Marie;

Also,

Joint resolution in relation to a certain claim in the county of Monroe;

Also,

Joint resolution requesting our members in Congress to call the attention of the general government to the importance of the construction of light-houses and fog-bells on the Straits of Michilimackinac;

Also,

Joint resolution in relation to the sale of the compiled laws.

JOHN LANDON, *Chairman*.

Report accepted.

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Green: petition of S. W. Moyer, Carlos Spaulding, J. Van Houghton, and 80 other citizens of the town of Roxand, in the county of Eaton, asking for an amendment to an act authorizing the county of Eaton to pledge its credit to aid in constructing a railroad from Jackson to Grand Rapids, in such a manner as to place all authority in reference to such pledge wholly in the voice of the electors of each township;

Also: petition of Peter Hackenburg, Martin Salsburg, A. B. Hawkins, and 101 other citizens of Eaton county, on the same subject;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Green: petition of S. W. Moyer, Alva B. Hale, and 54 others, for the improvement of a highway in Eaton, Ionia and Clinton counties;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Colwell: memorial of Solomon L. Bignall, asking for the seat in this House now occupied by Wm. Ball, from the 1st district of Livingston county;

Referred to the committee on elections.

By Mr. Shier: petition of A. Campbell, and 134 others, citizens of the township of Pittsfield, Washtenaw county, to legalize bounties paid volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Hawley: petition of Detroit bankers, asking the passage of a law authorizing the stamping of counterfeit, altered, and worthless bank bills;

On motion of Mr. Hawley,

The petition was referred to the committee on banks and incorporations, and was ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the petition:

To the Honorable the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, bankers of the city of Detroit, would respectfully ask your honorable body, to enact a law, authorizing the stamping of counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills.

MESSAGES FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 4, 1865. }

To the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State, the following, viz:

An act to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States.

HENRY H. CRAPO.

The message was laid on the table.

The Speaker also announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 4, 1865. }

To the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State, the following, to-wit:

An act for the creating and forming a twelfth judicial circuit.

HENRY H. CRAPO.

The message was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 8, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following entitled bill:

Senate bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to enable certain Protestant Episcopal churches to re-organize under the statute, approved February 17, 1857, entitled an act to provide for the organization of Protestant Episcopal churches;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks incorporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 8, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 4, entitled

A bill to authorize the Forest Valley Salt Manufacturing Company to engage in the manufacture of lumber;

2. House bill No. 32, entitled

A bill to authorize Jesse Spalding to connect his boom, on the Menominee river, with the Michigan shore, and to build, keep and maintain a dividing boom on said Menominee river, in Menominee county, in the State of Michigan;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 6, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives :

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 54, entitled

A bill for the relief of the Corlies and Thunder Bay Train Railway Company;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the

Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The rules were suspended, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 8, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bills:

1. Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Holly, in the county of Oakland;

2. Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Van Buren, in the county of Wayne;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were read a first and second time by their titles, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 8, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bills:

and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 27, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the support of the State Normal School,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the service of garnishee process in cases of co-partnership or firms not incorporated, and individuals doing business in this State, who are non-residents of this State,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report a substitute therefor, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Reform School.

The third named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

The fourth named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

The fifth named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The sixth, seventh and eighth named bills were read a first and second time by their titles, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 8, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 35, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to designate the holiday to be observed in the acceptance and payment of bills of exchange and promissory notes, and in the holding of courts, approved February 7, 1859, relative to the continuance of suits;

2. Senate bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for the purpose of engaging in trade, commerce and navigation, or other business connected therewith;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 3, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 11, entitled

A bill to amend sections 34 and 35, of chapter 17, of the compiled laws, relating to the assessing and collecting of taxes;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 8, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 2, entitled

A bill to lay out and establish a State road in the counties of Mecosta, Osceola and Missaukee, and to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes thereon;

2. House bill No. 43, entitled

A bill to continue in force the provisions of an act entitled an act appropriating certain taxes for the improvement of a State road in the counties of Montcalm and Gratiot, being act No. 233, approved February 15, 1859, and to amend section 2 of said act;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 4, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Secretary of State be, and he is hereby required to furnish to each circuit court commissioner, in the State of Michigan, who are not already provided with the same, one copy of the compiled laws, and the subsequent session laws;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The concurrent resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Cady gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to restore section thirty-six, of town one north, of range twelve east, to the town of Warren, in the county of Macomb.

Mr. Van Vleet gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section three, of chapter forty-seven, of the compiled laws, relative to lost goods and stray beasts; also to add to said chapter a new section.

Mr. O'Grady gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend chapter fifty-one of the compiled laws, by adding a new section thereto;

Also,

A joint resolution authorizing and directing the Auditor General to credit the county of Marquette with certain sums, upon the books of his office, and to charge the county of Menominee therewith.

Mr. Copley offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on ways and means be, and they are hereby instructed to report to this House the present condition of the war loan bounty fund, and if further legislation is necessary, to provide means for the payment of State bounties contemplated by House bill No. 78, and if such necessity exists, to report a bill for that purpose;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Utley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section fourteen, of act No. sixteen, of session laws of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming and rafting of logs;"

Also,

A bill for the acceptance of the donation of public lands, made by an act of Congress, approved June 20th, 1864, and for the construction of certain wagon roads, for military and postal purposes, and to provide for construction of the same;

Also,

Joint resolution in relation to the grant of lands made to the State of Michigan to aid in the construction of certain railways.

Mr. Phillips gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach certain territory now belonging to the township of Antrim, Shiawassee county, and attach the same to the township of Shiawassee.

Mr. Hazen gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to extend the Capac and Clyde State road, in the county of St Clair, from Capac west to intersect the Almont and Cass river State road, in the county of Lapeer, and provide for the construction of the same by appropriation of swamp land.

Mr. McKay gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Marshall," approved Feb. 14, 1859, and the acts amendatory thereto.

Mr. Nixon offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be, and he is hereby instructed to procure, at the earliest practicable period, 1,000 copies of the opinion of Chief Justice Martin, of the Supreme Court, recently delivered in the case of *The People ex rel Daniel S. Twitchell vs. Amos C. Blodgett*, for the use of the members and officers of the House;

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. McKernan gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the annual school meeting of school district No. 1, of Portage township, in Houghton county, for the years 1863 and 1864.

Mr. Cobb gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the act to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States, approved Feb. 4, 1865.

Mr. G. C. Jones gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 3, of an act entitled an act to accept the grant of lands made to the State of Michigan by the United

States, for a military road from Fort Wilkins to the Wisconsin State line, approved Feb 4th, 1864;

Also,

A bill to provide for vacating incorporated villages in certain cases;

Also,

A bill to regulate the rates of toll to be charged by plank road companies in the Upper Peninsula.

Mr. Dort gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to extend the time for collecting taxes in the township of Bedford, in the county of Wayne.

Mr. Welch offered the following:

Whereas, There seems to be some misunderstanding, in some quarters of the State, as to the intention of the Legislature in the payment of bounties under the provisions of House bill No. 78, entitled a bill to provide for the payment of bounties on volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States; therefore

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That it was the meaning and intent of the Legislature, in the passage of said bill, that it should be so construed that none but volunteers should be entitled to the State or local bounty, and that no person putting in a substitute could, either for himself or his substitute, claim either of said bounties, or that any person so enlisting or going as a substitute for another, should be entitled to either of said bounties;

Laid on the table for one day, under the rules.

Mr. Yawkey gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution asking the government of the United States for the construction of a ship canal around the Falls of Niagara;

Also,

A bill to provide against certain misdemeanors and combinations;

Also,

A bill to change the name of George Washington Merrill to George Clift Merrill.

Mr. Wendell offered the following:

Whereas, The State of Michigan has already furnished the federal government, during the present war, over 80,000 of her brave native and adopted sons;

And whereas, The quotas of the military districts have been but recently finally announced, and in order that the poorer and more remote and sparsely populated districts may be equally benefited by the recent State bounty act; therefore

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That his Excellency the Governor be, and is hereby requested to make immediate application to the War Department for a liberal postponement of the forthcoming draft;

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The rule requiring concurrent resolutions to lie on the table for one day was suspended, and the resolution was adopted.

Mr. Wendell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution asking Congress to aid in the construction of a telegraph line, to be known as the Detroit and Lake Superior Telegraph Line;

Also,

A bill for extending the time for the completion of the Sault Ste. Marie and Mackinaw State road; also for the Delta and Mackinaw State road; also for the St. Ignace and Detour State road;

Also,

A bill abolishing the office of District Attorney in the Upper Peninsula;

Also,

A bill appropriating the Agricultural College and all its appurtenances for the establishment of an asylum for invalid soldiers and soldiers' orphans.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the reclamation and drainage of swamp lands on the Shiawassee river, in Saginaw county;

Also,

A bill to lay out and establish the Tittabawassee and Saginaw Creek State road;

Also,

A bill to provide for the reclamation of swamp lands by means of a State road and ditches, by appropriating an additional section of swamp land to the mile on the Saginaw and Owosso State road, between Saginaw City and St. Charles in Saginaw county.

Mr. Cady, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Erie, in the county of Macomb, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Van Vleet, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Fenton in the county of Genesee, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of said taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to organize union school district of the city of Saginaw.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to appropriate an additional half section of swamp lands to the mile, on the Ithica and St. Charles State road, in Gratiot and Saginaw counties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Van Vleet, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

bill to amend section 3, of chapter 17, of the compiled laws, being an act to provide for the assessing of property at its value, and for levying and collecting taxes thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Hazen, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

bill to authorize the legal voters of the village of Memphis in the counties of Macomb and St. Clair, to organize under general law for the incorporation of villages, and to establish the boundaries of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Copley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to define the boundaries and powers of fractional school district No. 7, in the township of Silver Creek, in the county of Cass.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Mallary, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to protect the owners of sheep from damage done by dogs.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures.

Mr. McKernan, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to organize the county of L'Anse.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Jewell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in Oakland, Kent county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. O'Grady, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section 17, of an act entitled "An act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors as a beverage," approved February 3, 1855.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Hampden for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Dunlap, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to annex certain unorganized towns to the township of Helena, Antrim county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Dunlap, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to change the name of the township of Milton, Antrim county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Yawkey, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act to amend section 3, of an act entitled "an act to incorporate a board of education for the city of Saginaw," approved February 15, 1859.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Dunlap, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill creating and forming a thirteenth judicial circuit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Wendell, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

Joint resolution asking Congress for a donation of lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from Eskanauba, to the Straits of Michilimackinac, &c.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. O'Grady moved to take from the table House bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to amend sections one and four of an act entitled "an act to remit the specific tax upon mining, manufacturing, smelting and other companies of the Upper Peninsula, to the counties in which they arise, for a period of five years, and to provide for the application of the same," approved March 20, 1863;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Landon,

The bill was laid on the table.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

The House having arrived at this order of business,

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The order was passed over for the day.

SPECIAL ORDER,

Being the consideration of concurrent resolutions on the state of the Union,

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The consideration of the order was postponed until Wednesday next.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Hazen,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Winsor in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

Mr. O'Grady gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend chapter fifty-one of the compiled laws, by adding a new section thereto;

Also,

A joint resolution authorizing and directing the Auditor General to credit the county of Marquette with certain sums, upon the books of his office, and to charge the county of Menominee therewith.

Mr. Copley offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on ways and means be, and they are hereby instructed to report to this House the present condition of the war loan bounty fund, and if further legislation is necessary, to provide means for the payment of State bounties contemplated by House bill No. 78, and if such necessity exists, to report a bill for that purpose;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Utley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section fourteen, of act No. sixteen, of session laws of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming and rafting of logs;"

Also,

A bill for the acceptance of the donation of public lands, made by an act of Congress, approved June 20th, 1864, and for the construction of certain wagon roads, for military and postal purposes, and to provide for construction of the same;

Also,

Joint resolution in relation to the grant of lands made to the State of Michigan to aid in the construction of certain railways.

Mr. Phillips gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to detach certain territory now belonging to the township of Antrim, Shiawassee county, and attach the same to the township of Shiawassee.

Mr. Hazen gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to extend the Capac and Clyde State road, in the county of St Clair, from Capac west to intersect the Almont and Cass river State road, in the county of Lapeer, and provide for the construction of the same by appropriation of swamp land.

Mr. McKay gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Marshall," approved Feb. 14, 1859, and the acts amendatory thereto.

Mr. Nixon offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be, and he is hereby instructed to procure, at the earliest practicable period, 1,000 copies of the opinion of Chief Justice Martin, of the Supreme Court, recently delivered in the case of *The People ex rel Daniel S. Twitchell vs. Amos C. Blodgett*, for the use of the members and officers of the House;

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. McKernan gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the action of the annual school meeting of school district No. 1, of Portage township, in Houghton county, for the years 1863 and 1864.

Mr. Cobb gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the act to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States, approved Feb. 4, 1865.

Mr. G. C. Jones gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 3, of an act entitled an act to accept the grant of lands made to the State of Michigan by the United

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

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Petition of T. W. Ferry, and a host of others, for
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Taylor: petition of the supervisors, and 75 citizen
Saginaw county, for the construction of a State road from
town of Chesaning to the village of Salina, in Saginaw count
and for an appropriation of swamp lands to construct the sa

Also: petition of W. C. Allen, and 80 others, for the as
purpose;

Referred to the committee on publiclands.

By Mr. Newcomb: petition of Wm. W. Bliss, Wm. H. Pie
and 43 others, asking a law to denationalize deserters;

Referred to the committee on federal relations.

By Mr. McKernan: petition of Horatio Bigelow, L. W. Ch
and 40 other citizens of Boston, asking an appropriation
land from the general government to endow a mining school
the Upper Peninsula;

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The petition was laid on the table.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom
referred

A bill to extend the time for building the railroad from I
Paw, in the county of Van Buren, to some point on the Michi
Central railroad,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under
sideration, and have directed me to report the same back
the House, without amendment, and recommend that it
pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration
the subject.

O. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee
the whole, and placed on the general order.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the reclamation and drainage of swamp lands on the Shiawassee river, in Saginaw county;

Also,

A bill to lay out and establish the Tittabawassee and Swan Creek State road;

Also,

A bill to provide for the reclamation of swamp lands by means of a State road and ditches, by appropriating an additional section of swamp land to the mile on the Saginaw City and Owosso State road, between Saginaw City and St. Charles, in Saginaw county.

Mr. Cady, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Erie, in the county of Macomb, for the year 1864

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Van Vleet, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Fenton, in the county of Genessee, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of said taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to organize union school district of the city of Saginaw.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to appropriate an additional half section of State swamp lands to the mile, on the Ithica and St. Charles State road, in Gratiot and Saginaw counties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Erin, in the county of Macomb, for the year 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Fenton, in the county of Genesee, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes in said township,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 8, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution asking the government of the United States to establish a national foundry at Grand Haven, on the eastern shore of Lake Michigan,

To which the Senate made the following amendments:

Strike out in the second line of the second *Whereas*, words, "waters of lake," and insert in lieu the words, "lakes on the borders of;"

Also, by striking out all after the word "foundry," in third line of the resolution, and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "at such place in the State of Michigan, near the shore of the lakes, as, in the opinion of the War Department, shall be most proper and suitable for that purpose"

Also, by amending the title so as to read:

Joint resolution asking the government of the United States to establish a national foundry at some suitable point in the State of Michigan;

In which the House refused to concur;

And to inform the House that the Senate insists on its amendments.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLEN
Secretary of the

Mr. Brockway moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the joint resolution by the Senate;

Which motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, a

YEAS.

Mr. Beach,
Boies,
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Brockway,
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G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,

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Swift,
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NAYS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Green,
Griswold,
Haynes,
Jewell,

Mr. Lewis,
Luther,
Maxwell,
McKay,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,

Mr. Slocum,
L. Smith,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
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Winsor,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Mr. Griswold moved that a committee of conference, to consist of three members, be appointed on the part of the House, and that the appointment of a similar committee on the part of the Senate be requested, on the disagreement of the two Houses;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker appointed as such committee, on the part of the House, Messrs. Griswold, Welch and O'Grady.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 8, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 18, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Pulaski, in Jackson county, for the year 1864;

Which the Senate has amended by inserting the word "as," after the word "declared," in the 3d line of section one; also, by inserting after the word "legal," in the 3d line of section one, the following words, "as though the men had enlisted into the ser-

vice of the United States to fill the quota of said township to whom a bounty has been paid, and the amount thereof levied as a part of the tax of 1864, had been residents of the State at the time of their enlistment, and enrolled in said township;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Green moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Hawley,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	Haynes,	Rowe,
G. W. Allen,	Hazen,	Sanderson,
Bartow,	Horton,	Seymour,
Beach,	Jewell,	Slocum,
Boies,	G. O. Jones,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Kenney,	Swift,
Brockway,	Landon,	Taylor,
Oady,	Lewis,	Tupper,
Carleton,	Mallary,	Uiley,
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,
Colwell,	McKay,	Warner,
Copley,	McKernan,	Welch,
Dort,	Mickley,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Fellows,	Munger,	Willits,
Fisher,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Gies,	Nixon,	Winsor,
Green,	O'Grady,	Yawkey,
Griswold,	Phillips,	Speaker,

NAYS.

The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 8, 1865. }

to the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Ionia;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended said bill as follows:

1. By striking out the word "east," after the word "thence," in the ninth line of section 1, and inserting in lieu the word "west."

2. By inserting, after the word "President," in line 7, section 2, the words "or any of the trustees;" also, by striking out the word "reviser," in the eighth and ninth lines of said section.

3. By striking out the word "one week," in line 3, of section 10, and inserting in lieu, the words "once a week for two successive weeks;" also, by striking out the words "one week," in line 8, of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "two weeks."

4. By striking out of line 12, section 14, the word "absolute;" also, all after the word "simple," to and including the word "thereon," in line 18 of said section; and by inserting in lieu thereof the following: "Provided, All proceedings connected with the raising and levying such tax, and the sale for the non-payment thereof, are according to law." Also, by striking out the word "conclusive," in the 18th line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "prima facie." Also, by striking out the words "and with like effect," in line 16 of said section, and the words "may be given in evidence," at the end of the section.

5. Also, by striking out the word "corporation," in line 2 of section 30, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "village;" and by striking out the words "who" and "not," in the same line.

6. Also, by striking out section 31;
In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has con-

Clements, Dussean, Forbes, Haire, O. F. Howard, Laing, Lapham, May, Miles, Osborn, Pack, Packard, Pitts, Schars, Thomas and Woodruff. -

Mr. Colwell asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Ball, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Tupper asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Camburn, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Shier asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Forbes, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Shier asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Haire, for an indefinite time.

Mr. McKernan asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. O. F. Howard, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Phillips asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Laing, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Bond asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. May, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Maxwell asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Miles, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Dort asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Pack, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Williams asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Schars, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Slocum asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Thomas, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Williams asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Woodruff, for an indefinite time.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Williams: remonstrance of A. Arnold, J. M. Gray, and 90 others, citizens of the second district of Van Buren county, remonstrating against laying out a State road from South Haven to Paw Paw, in said county;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Luther: petition of Edwin Thayer, and 42 others, of Ottawa county, praying for an amendment to the Constitution of this State, to allow soldiers in the field to vote;

traveling expenses, to visit foreign countries to carry out the objects of said bill;

And whereas, Said bill appropriates ten thousand dollars for the objects set forth, thus adding at this time, so much unnecessary expense to the tax-payers of our State;

And whereas, The American Emigrant Co., with an organized capital of \$1,000,000, with a system the most complete of any ever set in motion, for the purpose of inducing immigration, through their agencies in Great Britain, Germany, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, France, Belgium and Switzerland, can accomplish the objects set forth in said bill, with far less expense to the tax-payers of our State; therefore

Resolved, That the whole subject be referred to a special committee of five, with instructions to report as soon as possible, what measures, if any, are necessary to facilitate the objects set forth in said bill, and report to this House, by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Landon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill granting the township of Sandstone authority to raise certain money, by tax, the same having been advanced to procure recruits to fill their quota under the call for 500,000 men.

Mr. O'Grady gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes upon the capital stock of national banks.

Mr. Utley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Green, in the county of Mecosta, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes therein.

Mr. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred Senate bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Van Buren, in the county of Wayne, for the year 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred Senate bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Holly, county of Oakland, for the year 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Oakfield, in the county of Kent, for the year 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,

Mr. Cady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to restore section 36, of town 1 north, of range 12 east, in the town of Warren, in the county of Macomb.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Utley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

Joint resolution in relation to the grant of lands made to the State of Michigan, to aid in the construction of railways.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Utley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill for the acceptance of the donation of public lands made by an act of Congress, approved May 20, 1864, for the construction of certain wagon roads for military and postal purposes, and to provide for the construction of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. McKernan, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the annual school meetings of school district No. 1, of Portage township, in Houghton county, for the years 1863 and 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Hazen, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing of a State road, to be known as an extension of the Capao and Olyde State road, and appropriating certain swamp lands for the construction of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 8, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution asking the government of the United States to establish a national foundry at Grand Haven, on the eastern shore of Lake Michigan,

To which the Senate made the following amendments:

Strike out in the second line of the second *Whereas*, the words, "waters of lake," and insert in lieu the words, "lakes on the borders of;"

Also, by striking out all after the word "foundry," in the third line of the resolution, and inserting in lieu thereof the following words: "at such place in the State of Michigan, at or near the shore of the lakes, as, in the opinion of the War Department, shall be most proper and suitable for that purpose;"

Also, by amending the title so as to read:

Joint resolution asking the government of the United States to establish a national foundry at some suitable point within the State of Michigan;

In which the House refused to concur;

And to inform the House that the Senate insists on said amendments.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Brockway moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the joint resolution by the Senate;

Which motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Beach,
Boies,
Bond,

Mr. Glen,
Hawley,
Hazen,

Mr. Mallery,
McKernan,
Mickley,

ties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States, approved February 4, 1865.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Winsor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Port Austin, in Huron county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Gies, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled an act to abolish the fees of clerk in the Supreme Court, being act No. 281, of the session laws of 1859.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Horton, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the protection of game in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the select committee on game.

Mr. Yawkey, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A joint resolution asking the government of the United States for the construction of a ship canal around the Falls of Niagara.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of State roads and ditches, by appropriating an additional half section of the State swamp lands, for the construction of the Saginaw City and Owosso State road, between Saginaw City and St. Charles.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Utley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 14, of act number 16, of the session laws of the year 1864, entitled an act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming and rafting of logs.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Yawkey, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to change the name of George Washington Merrill.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Yawkey, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide against certain misdemeanors and combinations.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill for the reclamation and drainage of swamp lands on the Shiawassee river, in Saginaw county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. O'Grady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend chapter 51, of the compiled laws, by adding a new section thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. O'Grady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

Joint resolution authorizing and directing the Auditor General to credit the county of Marquette with certain sums upon the books of his office, and to charge the county of Menominee therewith.

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 8, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 28, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Ionia;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended said bill as follows:

1. By striking out the word "east," after the word "thence," in the ninth line of section 1, and inserting in lieu the word "west."

2. By inserting, after the word "President," in line 7, section 6, the words "or any of the trustees;" also, by striking out the proviso, in the eighth and ninth lines of said section.

3. By striking out the word "one week," in line 2, of section 10, and inserting in lieu, the words "once a week for two successive weeks;" also, by striking out the words "one week," in line 8, of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof, the words "two weeks."

4. By striking out of line 12, section 14, the word "absolute;" also, all after the word "simple," to and including the word "thereon," in line 13 of said section; and by inserting in lieu thereof the following: "*Provided*, All proceedings connected with the raising and levying such tax, and the sale for the non-payment thereof, are according to law." Also, by striking out the word "conclusive," in the 13th line of said section, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "*prima facie*." Also, by striking out the words "and with like effect," in line 16 of said section, and the words "may be given in evidence," at the end of the section.

5. Also, by striking out the word "corporation," in line 2 of section 30, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "village;" and by striking out the words "who" and "not," in the same line.

6. Also, by striking out section 31;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has con-

G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Seymour,	
Bartow,	Jewell,	Shier,	
Beach,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,	
Boies,	Kenney,	L. Smith,	
Bond,	Landon,	Swift,	
Brockway,	Lewis,	Taylor,	
Cady,	Luther,	Tupper,	
Carleton,	Mallary,	Utleigh,	
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,	
Colwell,	McKay,	Warner,	
Copley,	McKernan,	Welch,	
Dort,	Mickley,	Wendell,	
Dunlap,	Monroe,	Wilcox,	
Fellows,	Munger,	Willits,	
Fisher,	Newcomb,	Williams,	
Gies,	Nixon,	Winsor,	
Green,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,	
Griswold,	Phillips,	Yawkey,	
Hawley,	Reed,	Speaker,	63
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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2032 and 2033 of the compiled laws, relative to gifts and conveyances of property to or for the use of religious societies, and institutions connected therewith,

Being under consideration,

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on the judiciary.

House bill No. 39, entitled

A bill to provide for the completion of the geological survey of the State,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Warner asked the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by striking out the word "eight," in line 1 of section 7, and inserting "five" in lieu thereof;

Objected to by Mr. Lewis.

Mr. Lewis asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by inserting the following words after the word "appropriated," in the 2d line of section 7: "which

traveling expenses, to visit foreign countries to carry out the objects of said bill;

And whereas, Said bill appropriates ten thousand dollars for the objects set forth, thus adding at this time, so much unnecessary expense to the tax-payers of our State;

And whereas, The American Emigrant Co., with an organized capital of \$1,000,000, with a system the most complete of any ever set in motion, for the purpose of inducing immigration, through their agencies in Great Britain, Germany, Sweden, Norway, Denmark, France, Belgium and Switzerland, can accomplish the objects set forth in said bill, with far less expense to the tax-payers of our State; therefore

Resolved, That the whole subject be referred to a special committee of five, with instructions to report as soon as possible, what measures, if any, are necessary to facilitate the objects set forth in said bill, and report to this House, by bill or otherwise.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The resolution was laid on the table.

Mr. Landon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill granting the township of Sandstone authority to raise certain money, by tax, the same having been advanced to procure recruits to fill their quota under the call for 500,000 men.

Mr. O'Grady gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of taxes upon the capital stock of national banks.

Mr. Utley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Green, in the county of Mecosta, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes therein.

Mr. Green gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill appropriating certain highway taxes for the improvement of a road in Eaton, Ionia and Clinton counties.

Mr. Taylor offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on supplies be instructed to cause the two ventilating registers in the southern wall of this Hall to be lowered so that their lower side shall be on a level with the floor; and further, to procure two additional registers of the same size, to be inserted on a level with the floor, instead of the two at present in use in the east and west walls of this Hall;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Warner gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend the charter of the city of Pontiac;

Also,

A bill to amend a "joint resolution for the relief of William Dingman," approved January 31, 1865.

Mr. Horton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the incorporation of the village of Newport, in town of Cottrelville, St. Clair county, under the name of Marine City.

Mr. McKernan moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of Senate joint resolution No. 4, entitled

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of land by Congress, to endow the Michigan Mining School, in the Upper Peninsula;
Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The joint resolution was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Dort, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Redford, in the county of Wayne.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Cady, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to restore section 36, of town 1 north, of range 12 east, in the town of Warren, in the county of Macomb.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Utley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

Joint resolution in relation to the grant of lands made to the State of Michigan, to aid in the construction of railways.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Utley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill for the acceptance of the donation of public lands made by an act of Congress, approved May 20, 1864, for the construction of certain wagon roads for military and postal purposes, and to provide for the construction of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. McKernan, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the annual school meetings of school district No. 1, of Portage township, in Houghton county, for the years 1863 and 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Hazen, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing of a State road, to be known as an extension of the Capac and Olyde State road, and appropriating certain swamp lands for the construction of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,

Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to allow increased rates of fare for passengers on railroads in the Upper Peninsula, for a limited period,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Breckway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker.

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ties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States, approved February 4, 1865.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Winsor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Port Austin, in Huron county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Gies, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled an act to abolish the fees of clerk in the Supreme Court, being act No. 281, of the session laws of 1859.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Horton, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the protection of game in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the select committee on game.

Mr. Yawkey, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A joint resolution asking the government of the United States for the construction of a ship canal around the Falls of Niagara.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of State roads and ditches, by appropriating an additional half section of the State swamp lands, for the construction of the Saginaw City and Owosso State road, between Saginaw City and St. Charles.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,

Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. A. Allen,

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 58, entitled

A bill changing the name of the township of Leonard, in the county of Mecosta, to that of Big Rapids,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,

Mr. Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 47, entitled

A bill to amend section 3657, of the compiled laws, relating to the commencement of actions before justices of the peace,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Griswold,	Mr. Sanderson,
A. Allen,	Haynes,	Seymour,
G. W. Allen,	Hazen,	Shier,
Bartow,	Jewell,	Slocum,
Beach,	G. C. Jones,	L. Smith,
Boies,	Kenney,	Swift,
Bond,	Landon,	Taylor,
Brockway,	Lewis,	Tupper,
Cady,	Luther,	Utle,
Carleton,	Mallory,	Van Vleet,
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Warner,
Colwell,	McKernan,	Welch,
Copley,	Mickley,	Wendell,
Dort,	Munger,	Wilcox,
Dunlap,	Newcomb,	Willits,
Fellows,	O'Grady,	Williams,
Fisher,	Phillips,	Woodworth,
Gies,	Reed,	Speaker,
Green,	Rowe,	

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NAYS.

Mr. Horton,	Mr. Nixon,	Mr. Yawkey,
Monroe,		

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 42, of the compiled laws,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Rowe,
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Sanderson,

"Lower Peninsula," in line 2, of section 3, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "county of Gratiot."

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallery,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Fleet,
Wagner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Winser,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

NAYS.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the improvement of a certain road in the counties of Eaton and Ingham, approved March 19, 1863,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,

Mr. Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,

Mr. Phillips,
Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,

sum shall be paid out of the treasury from any money not otherwise appropriated."

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Rowe,
A. Allen,	G. C. Jones,	Sanderson,
G. W. Allen,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Bartow,	Landon,	Schars,
Boies,	Lewis,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Luther,	Swift,
Brockway,	Mallary,	Taylor,
Cady,	Maxwell,	Tupper,
Carleton,	McKay,	Utlej,
Cobb,	McKernan,	Van Vleet,
Colwell,	Mickley,	Wendell,
Dort,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Dunlap,	Munger,	Willits,
Fisher,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Gies,	Nixon,	Winsor,
Green,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,
Griswold,	Phillips,	Yawkey,
Hawley,	Reed,	Speaker, . 54

NAYS.

Mr. Beach,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Shier,
Copley,	Hazen,	Warner,
Fellows,	Horton,	8

Title agreed to.

House joint resolution No. 17, entitled

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of lands by Congress, to endow female colleges in the several States,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Rowe,
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Sanderson,
G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Seymour,
Bartow,	Jewell,	Shier,
Beach	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,
Boies,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Landon,	Swift,
Brockway,	Lewis,	Taylor,

Oady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to amend section 2, of act No. 241, of the session laws of 1863, entitled an act to provide for the collection of State and county taxes in the city of Detroit,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Oady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to enlarge the boundaries of the township of Vassar,
in the county of Tuscola,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-
bers elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Hazen,	Mr. Sanderson,	
G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Seymour,	
Bartow,	Jewell,	Shier,	
Beach,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,	
Boies,	Kenney,	L. Smith,	
Bond,	Landon,	Swift,	
Brockway,	Lewis,	Taylor,	
Cady,	Luther,	Tupper,	
Carleton,	Mallary,	UtleY,	
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,	
Colwell,	McKay,	Warner,	
Copley,	McKernan,	Welch,	
Dort,	Mickley,	Wendell,	
Dunlap,	Monroe,	Wilcox,	
Fellows,	Munger,	Willits,	
Fisher,	Newcomb,	Williams,	
Gies,	Nixon,	Winsor,	
Green,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,	
Griswold,	Phillips,	Yawkey,	
Hawley,	Reed,	Speaker,	62
Haynes,	Rowe,		0
	NAYS.		

Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 54, entitled

A bill for the relief of the Corlies and Thunder Bay Train
Railway Company,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the mem-
bers elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Hazen,	Mr. Sanderson,	
G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Seymour,	
Bartow,	Jewell,	Shier,	
Beach,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,	
Boies,	Kenney,	L. Smith,	
Bond,	Landon,	Swift,	

Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,

Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 16, entitled

A bill to allow increased rates of fare for passengers on railroads in the Upper Peninsula, for a limited period,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Breckway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
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Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
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Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
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Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker.

NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 45, entitled

A bill to amend section 6, of act No. 175, of the session laws of 1863, in relation to the Pentwater and Newaygo State road,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Rowe,
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Sanderson,
G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Seymour,
Bartow,	Jewell,	Shier,
Beach,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,
Boies,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Landon,	Swift,
Brockway,	Lewis,	Taylor,
Cady,	Luther,	Tupper,
Carleton,	Mallary,	Utleigh,
Cobb,	McKay,	Van Vleet,
Colwell,	McKernan,	Warner,
Copley,	Mickley,	Welch,
Dort,	Monroe,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	Munger,	Wilcox,
Fellows,	Newcomb,	Willits,
Fisher,	Nixon,	Williams,
Gies,	O'Grady,	Winsor,
Green,	Phillips,	Yawkey,
Griswold,	Reed,	Speaker,
Hawley,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Woodworth,

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Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 10, entitled

A bill to prohibit practicing attorneys and counselors at law from becoming bail or security in certain cases,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Hazen,	Mr. Sanderson,
G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Seymour,
Bartow,	Jewell,	Shier,
Beach,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,
Boies,	Kenney,	L. Smith,

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Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,

Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utlely,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

NAYS.

Mr. A. Allen,

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 58, entitled

A bill changing the name of the township of Leonard, in county of Mecosta, to that of Big Rapids,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Menroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,

Mr. Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utlely,
Van Vlee
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell
Wilcox,
Willits,
William
Winsor
Woodv

Griswold,
Hawley,

Phillips,
Reed,
NAYS.

Yawkey,
Speaker, 68
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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 65, entitled

A bill to extend to actual settlers on the public lands certain rights and privileges as freeholders,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
Jewell,
G. O. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker, 68
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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 68, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State road in Gratiot county,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Winsor asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the same by striking out the words

"Lower Peninsula," in line 2, of section 3, and inserting in lieu thereof the words "county of Gratiot."

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

NAYS.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the improvement of a certain road in the counties of Eaton and Ingham, approved March 19, 1863,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,

Mr. Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,

Mr. Phillips,
Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,

Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,

Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallery,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,

NAYS.

Swift,
Taylor,
Trepper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

60

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the improvement of the Detroit and Grand River road, approved March 20, 1868,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallery,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,

NAYS.

Mr. Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Thayer,
Taylor,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Yawkey,
Speaker

59

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed business under the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Senate joint resolution No. 4, entitled

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of land by Congress, to endow the Michigan Mining School, in the Upper Peninsula,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Mr. Hazen,
Jewell,
G. O. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallory,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Rowe,

Mr. Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utiley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

NAYS.

Title and preamble agreed to.

House bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing of a State

road, to be known as the Ovid and St. Charles State road, and appropriating certain swamp lands for the construction of the same,

Was read a third time, and, pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Winsor asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House, to add the following proviso at the end of section three of the bill:

“Provided, Said lands shall be selected from the counties through which said road runs, in proportion to the number of miles of said road in each.”

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Rowe,	
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Sanderson,	
G. W. Allen,	Jewell,	Seymour,	
Bartow,	G. C. Jones,	Shier,	
Beach,	Kenney,	Slocum,	
Boies,	Landon,	L. Smith,	
Brockway,	Lewis,	Swift,	
Cady,	Luther,	Taylor,	
Carleton,	Mallory,	Utley,	
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,	
Colwell,	McKay,	Warner,	
Copley,	McKernan,	Welch,	
Dort,	Mickley,	Wendell,	
Dunlap,	Monroe,	Wilcox,	
Fellows,	Munger,	Willits,	
Fisher,	Newcomb,	Williams,	
Gies,	Nixon,	Winsor,	
Green,	O'Grady,	Yawkey,	
Hawley,	Philips,	Speaker,	57
	NAYS.		0

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Houghton county, to draw certain swamp land money, and to expend the same on the L'Anse Bay and State line State road, and for other purposes,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Brockway,
Cady,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Gies,
Fisher,
Green,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,

Mr. Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

55

NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following resolution:

Whereas, There seems to be some misunderstanding, in some quarters of the State, as to the intention of the Legislature in the payment of bounties under the provisions of House bill No. 78, entitled a bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States; therefore,

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That it was the meaning and intent of the Legislature, in the passage of said bill, that it should be so construed that none but volunteers should be entitled to the State or local bounty, and that no person putting in a substitute could, either for himself or his substitute, claim either of said bounties, or that any person so enlisting or going as a substitute for another, should be entitled to either of said bounties.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,
The resolution was laid on the table.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Welch,
The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Luther in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bills:

1. Senate bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend sections four and five of an act entitled "An act for the appropriation of swamp lands to the counties of Houghton and Keweenaw, for the construction of the Mineral Range State road," approved March 20, 1863;

2. Senate bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Niles;

3. House bill No. 74, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 61, of the session laws of 1863, entitled an act to authorize the building of a bridge across the Menominee river, and to appropriate six sections of swamp lands to the county of Menominee for the purpose of building the same;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration, the following entitled bills:

4. House bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to authorize the Detroit and Grand River Plank Road Company to discontinue and abandon a portion of their road;

5. House bill No. 67, entitled

A bill to consolidate the townships of Oceana and Dalton,

in Muskegon county, and to create three townships from the territory thereof;

6. House bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to authorize the sheriffs of certain counties to serve process issued by justices of the peace;

7. House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of a road to be known as the Cass River and Wild Fowl Bay State road;

8. House bill No. 71, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of State road contracts in the county of Menominee;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bill:

9. House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill imposing a specific tax upon corporations and chartered companies engaged in the business of mining, smelting and refining ores in this State;

Have made some progress therein, but not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

GEORGE LUTHER, *Chairman*.

Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The first, second and third named bills were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the amendments made by the committee to the fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth named bills, *in gross*.

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The several bills were placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Brockway moved that the committee of the whole be

discharged from the further consideration of the last named bill;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

The committee was granted leave leave to sit again in the consideration of said bill.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Saturday, February 11, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Burns.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Clements, Osborn, Packard and Pitts.

Mr. Phillips asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Clements, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Dusseau asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Pitts, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Tupper asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Kenney: petition of G. Dexter and 16 others, residents of Hadley, Lapeer county, concerning war bounties;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Cady: remonstrance of James Whiting, and 81 others, taxable inhabitants of the town of Erin, in the county of Macomb, against restoring section 36, of town 1 north, of range 12 east, to the town of Warren;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Carleton: petition of Joseph Heald, George E. Downing and 32 others, citizens of Oceana township and vicinity,

asking an appropriation of swamp lands for the improvement of White river;

Referred to the committee on harbors.

By Mr. Camburn: petition of G. F. Case and 25 others, citizens of Montcalm county, praying for the creation of a new township;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Landon: petition of Davis Adams, and 28 others, taxpayers of Tompkins, Jackson county, asking that moneys paid by subscription to volunteers in the township of Tompkins, for the year 1864, may be assessed on the taxable property of said town;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Dort: remonstrance of David Allen, David Sloss, and 57 other citizens of the township of Dearborn, in the county of Wayne, against extending any of the provisions of the metropolitan police bill to the townships of said county, especially against section 13 of said bill;

On motion of Mr. Dort,

The remonstrance was laid on the table.

By Mr. McKay: petition of Joseph Otis, and 53 others, for the repeal of the charter of the city of Marshall;

Also: petition of J. C. Egler, and 63 others, citizens of Marshall, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. McKay: remonstrance of Joseph C. Frink, C. P. Dibble, C. T. Gorham, and 152 others, citizens of Marshall, against the repeal of the city charter of said city;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Phillips: petition of William G. Smith, and 72 other citizens of the township of Shiawassee, asking the passage of a law by which moneys advanced by citizens to fill the quota of said township, on the last call for 500,000 men, may be spread upon the tax roll of said town;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. McKay: petition of David H. Miller, county surveyor

of Calhoun county, and 34 others, in relation to the duties of county surveyors;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Swift: petition of Alfred Russell, James F. Joy, John Owen, and 130 others, of the city of Detroit, asking the privilege of elective franchise for colored citizens;

Referred to the special committee on amendments to the Constitution.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to authorize the Niles Hydraulic Company to increase its capital stock,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 57, entitled

A bill to authorize the city of Owosso to raise by tax, money for the purpose of improving and fencing the grounds of the Shiawassee County Agricultural Association, and erecting thereon a building for its use, at said city of Owosso,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,

and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to enable certain Protestant Episcopal churches to reorganize under the statute, approved February 17, 1857, entitled an act to provide for the reorganization of Protestant Episcopal churches,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to authorize the formation of corporations for the purpose of engaging in trade, commerce and navigation, or other business connected therewith,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Jackson," approved February 14, 1857,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

Senate bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Owosso," approved February 15, 1859,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section fourteen, of act No. sixteen, of the session laws of the year one thousand eight hundred and sixty-four, entitled "An act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming and rafting of logs,"

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 52, entitled

A bill to amend sections 61 and 62 of an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Battle Creek," approved Feb. 3, 1859, relating to the assessment and collecting of highway taxes,

Respectfully report that they had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred the petition of certain bank officers and bankers of the city of Detroit, asking the passage of a law authorizing the stamping of counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills; also, the petition of a large number of the business men of Detroit, asking for the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill making it obligatory upon banks in this State to stamp counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills,

Which they admit does not carry out all the prayer of the petitioners, but is in accordance with the views of the committee, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the legal voters of the village of Memphis, in the counties of Macomb and St. Clair, to organize under the general law for the incorporation of villages, and to establish the boundaries thereof,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred the petition of Justus Gage and 26 others, inhabitants of the village of Dowagiac, requesting the boundaries of said village and of fractional school district No. seven, of Silver Creek township, to be enlarged, also that additional powers be conferred on the trustees of said school district; also,

A bill to enlarge the boundaries of the village of Dowagiac; and

A bill to define the boundaries and powers of fractional

school district No. 7, in the township of Silver Creek, in the county of Cass,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report that they have connected the two bills together, under the title of

A bill to enlarge the boundaries of the village of Dowagiac, in the county of Cass, and fractional school district number seven, of the town of Silver Creek, and increase the powers of the trustees of said district,

With the accompanying substitute or amendment, in place of section four of the bill, and recommend that the substitute or amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Copley,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Marshall, approved February 14, 1859, and the acts amendatory thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on agriculture and manufactures:

The committee on agriculture and manufactures, to whom was referred

A bill for the encouragement of agriculture, manufactures and the mechanic arts,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

GEO. LUTHER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Warner moved that the bill be ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order;

Mr. Brockway moved that the bill be laid on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The motion of Mr. Warner prevailed.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

A bill to change the name of the township of Milton, Antrim county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

A bill to annex certain unorganized towns to the township of Helena, Antrim county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the

House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

A bill to organize the county of L'Anse,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill regulating the rates of toll to be charged by plank road companies in the Upper Peninsula,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Reform School:

The committee on Reform School, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 47, entitled

A bill making appropriations to pay the arrearages of the Reform School for the years 1863 and 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. M. SWIFT, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Swift,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to organize Union School district, of the city of Saginaw,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act to amend section 2, of an act entitled "an act to incorporate a board of education for the city of East Saginaw," approved February 15th, 1859,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

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Committee on printing:

Committee on printing, to whom was referred the
report:

That the committee on printing be instructed
to pass by the present Legislature, which
shall have immediate effect, to be published at once in
Lansing, and that they secure
copies of such paper for the use of the members.

The same under consideration, and have instructed
the following as a substitute therefor:

That the committee on printing be instructed
to pass by the present Legislature, which
shall have immediate effect, to be published at once in
some newspaper published in Lansing.
Such acts shall have one insertion in such newspaper,
and they secure three hundred copies of such paper
for the members of this House;
and recommend the adoption of the substitute, and ask to
be taken from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. SLOCUM, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Report adopted by the committee for the original
report adopted.

Committee on ways and means:

Committee on ways and means, to whom was referred
the report of the committee on printing, entitled

To extend the time for the collection of taxes in the
County of Huron, in Huron county,

and report that they have had the same under
consideration, and have directed me to report the same back
without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,
and be discharged from the further consideration of the

A. L. GREEN, Chairman.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

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On motion of Mr. Winsor,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for collection of taxes in the township of Redford, in the county of Wayne,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Gies,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES

By the select joint committee on amendments to the constitution:

The joint committee of the two Houses on amendments to the constitution, to whom was referred House joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution proposing an amendment to section one, of article seven, of the Constitution of this State, relative to elections;

And also the petitions of the Hon. Thomas W. Ferry and fifty others, and Edwin Thayer and forty-two others, in reference to the same amendment, would respectfully report that they have carefully considered the whole subject embraced in the said resolution and petitions, and examined the constitutions of other States that have provided by law for the exercise of the right of the elective franchise by their soldiers in the field and their sailors on the sea, where such statutes have stood the test of a critical legal examination by the highest judicial tribunals of the State; and after such consideration and examination, they have unanimously instructed me to report the accompany-

ing substitute for the original joint resolution of Mr. Dort, and recommend that the same do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM S. UTLEY,

Chairman of Joint Committee, on the part of the House.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Warner,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The joint resolution was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 10, 1865. }

To the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State, the following, viz:

An act to authorize the State Treasurer to burn and destroy the notes of the late Government Stock Bank, of Ann Arbor, now remaining in his office, and the notes of other banks in like condition;

Also,

An act to authorize school district No. 2, of the township of Lawrence, in the county of Van Buren, to issue bonds;

Also,

An act to amend section 979, of the compiled laws, relative to duties upon sales at auction;

Also,

An act to authorize any of the towns of the counties of Oakland and Macomb to pledge their credit to aid in the construction of a railroad from Ridgeway, on the Grand Trunk Railway, to some point on the Detroit and Milwaukee Railroad;

Also,

An act to amend section seven, of chapter one hundred and sixty-six, of the compiled laws, relative to the punishment of fraudulent debtors;

Also,

An act to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Ontonagon to raise money, by tax or otherwise, for the protection and improvement of the harbor at the mouth of the Ontonagon river;

Also,

An act to authorize fractional school district No. 8, of the townships of Sidney, Evergreen, Ferris and Douglas, in the county of Montcalm, to issue bonds;

Also,

An act to amend section five hundred and seventy-nine, of the compiled laws, being section eighty-seven, of chapter twelve, requiring overseers of highways to give bond in a sum double the amount of money that shall come into their hands;

Also,

An act to amend section 15, of chapter 21, of the compiled laws, relative to the duties of overseers of highways;

Also,

An act to change the name of Truman W. Willey, of the town of Ray, in the county of Macomb, to Truman Gass;

Also,

An act to provide for the payment of the officers and members of the Legislature, for the year 1865;

Also,

An act to authorize the Governor of this State to convey certain lands;

Also,

Joint resolution in relation to the sale of the compiled laws;

Also,

Joint resolution in relation to a certain claim in the county of Monroe;

Also,

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of lands by Congress, for the construction of a wagon road from Escanaba to Sault Ste. Marie;

Also,

Joint resolution requesting our members in Congress to call the attention of the general government to the importance of the construction of light-houses and fog-bells on the Straits of Michilimackinac;

Also,

Joint resolution in relation to the improvement of the mouth of the Saginaw river.

HENRY H. CRAPO.

The message was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER, }
Lansing, February 11, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Whereas, The State of Michigan has already furnished the federal government, during the present war, over 80,000 of her brave native and adopted sons;

And whereas, The quotas of the military districts have been but recently finally announced, and in order that the poorer and more remote and sparsely populated districts may be equally benefitted by the recent State bounty act; therefore

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That his Excellency the Governor be, and is hereby requested to make immediate application to the War Department for a liberal postponement of the forthcoming draft;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The concurrent resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following: .

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 10, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to provide for the incorporation of boards of trade and chambers of commerce," approved March 19, 1863;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,
Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The rules were suspended, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 10, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 34, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act to amend section 26, and repeal sections 27, 28 and 29, of chapter 150, title 29, of the revised statutes of 1846, approved February 16th, 1857, being section 5658, of compiled laws, relative to the rates of legal advertising;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same

to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Luther moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect by the House;

Which motion did not prevail.

The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. L. Smith gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to change the name of the village of Pine River, in Gratiot county.

Mr. Brockway offered the following:

Resolved, That those members of this House who were absent at the time of the passage of the resolution approving and ratifying the amendment of the Constitution of the United States, forever prohibiting slavery therein, be permitted to record their votes upon that question;

Which was adopted.

The following votes were then recorded on the passage of the joint resolution, the Speaker, Hon. Gilbert E. Read, asking permission to have his name recorded in full:

YEAS—Messrs. Aitken, Cady, Carleton, Cobb, Fellows, Hazen, Landon, Luther, Maxwell, McKay, Newcomb, Gilbert E. Read, Lucien Reed, Rowe, Runyan, Swift, Utley, White, Wilcox, Woodworth—18.

NAYS—Messrs. Gies, Hawley, Horton—3.

Mr. Welch gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to set aside the village plat of the village of Hubbardston, in Ionia county, drawn by William Pitt, and substitute a plat made by S. C. Alderman.

Mr. Aitken gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 6, of act 241, of session laws of 1861, being an act to establish water courses and locate ditches in certain cases, approved Feb. 18th, 1859.

Mr. G. W. Allen gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to enable the holders of land within this State to perpetuate testimony relative to their lands.

Mr. Swift gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the incorporation of associations for the publication of periodicals, newspapers, books, tracts, documents and other publications.

Mr. Luther gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill providing for an appropriation of money for the support of the State Agricultural College.

Mr. Van Vleet gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 7, of act 157, of session laws of 1863, being an act to provide for improving a certain State road from the village of Gaines to the village of Flushing, in the county of Genesee.

Mr. Wilcox gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend certain sections of act number 262, of laws of 1859.

Mr. Mallary gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the payment of State and county taxes to the county treasurer, in certain cases.

Mr. Lewis moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of certain

taxes in the township of Dayton, Tuscola county, and to grant an extension of time therefor;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Wendell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for a grant of swamp lands to aid in deepening the channel at the mouth of Cheboygan river, in Cheboygan county;

Also,

A bill for a grant of swamp land to aid in the construction of a lock around the falls in Cheboygan river, in said county;

Also,

Joint resolution asking Congress for a donation of lands to aid in the construction of a telegraph line from Saginaw to Mackinaw, Sault Ste. Marie and Lake Superior, and to be known as the "Lower and Upper Peninsula telegraph line."

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to lay out and establish the Tittabawassee and Swan Creek State road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Jewell, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands by means of a State road and ditches, approved March 15th, 1861.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Utléy, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the tax rolls of the townships of Green, Richmond, Leonard, Mecosta and Fairfield, in the county of Mecosta.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Carleton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the improvement of White river, in town 12 north, of range 17 west, in Muskegon county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on harbors.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No 44, entitled

A bill to authorize the township board of Holland, in the county of Ottawa, to appoint commissioners to establish a rate of tolls and charges, and to aid in the improvement of the harbor at Black Lake, in said county,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Forbes,
Gies,
Green,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Mr. Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Luther,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Erin, in the county of Macomb, for the year 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Rowe,
G. W. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Runyan,
Ball,	Jenness,	Sanderson,
Beach,	Jewell,	Seymour,
Boies,	G. C. Jones,	Shier,
Bond,	Kenney,	Slocum,
Brockway,	Landon,	L. Smith,
Cady,	Lapham,	Swift,
Camburn,	Lewis,	Taylor,
Carleton,	Luther,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Mallary,	Utlely,
Colwell,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	McKay,	Warner,
Dort,	McKernan,	Welch,
Dunlap,	Mickley,	Wendell,
Dusseau,	Monroe,	White,
Fellows,	Munger,	Wilcox,
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Willits,
Gies,	Nixon,	Winsor,
Green,	O'Grady,	Speaker
Hawley,	Phillips,	

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in Oakfield, Kent county,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Forbes,
Gies,
Green,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Mr. Hazen,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Holly, in the county of Oakland, for the year 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,

Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Green,
Hawley,
Haynes,

Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallery,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Rowe,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Redford, in the county of Wayne,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,

Mr. Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallery,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
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Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,

Gies,
Green,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,

Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Port Austin, in the county of Huron,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Green,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Boies,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Van Buren, in the county of Wayne,

Being under consideration

Mr. Dort asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by inserting in the 4th line of section two, after the word "hereby," the words "revived and."

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Rowe,
G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Runyan,
Ball,	O. F. Howard,	Sanderson,
Beach,	Jenness,	Seymour,
Boies,	Jewell,	Shier,
Bond,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,
Brockway,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Cady,	Landon,	Swift,
Camburn,	Lapham,	Taylor,
Carleton,	Lewis,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Luther,	Utley,
Colwell,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	Maxwell,	Warner,
Dort,	McKay,	Welch,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dusseau,	Mickley,	White,
Fellows,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Munger,	Willits,
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Gies,	Nixon,	Winsor,
Green,	O'Grady,	Yawkey,
Hawley,	Philips,	Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 88, entitled

A bill to provide for the assessment and collection of certain taxes in the township of Dayton, Tuscola county, and to grant an extension of time therefor,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Hazen,	Mr. Rowe,
A. Allen,	Horton,	Runyan,
G. W. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Sanderson,
Ball,	Jenness,	Seymour,
Boies,	Jewell,	Shier,
Bond,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,
Brockway,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Cady,	Landon,	Swift,
Camburn,	Lapham,	Taylor,
Carleton,	Lewis,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Luther,	Utle,
Colwell,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	Maxwell,	Warner,
Dort,	McKay,	Welch,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dussean,	Mickley,	White,
Fellows,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Munger,	Willits,
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Gies,	Nixon,	Winsor,
Green,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,
Hawley,	Phillips,	Speaker,
Haynes,	Reed,	
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Lewis,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 47, entitled

A bill making appropriations to pay the arrearages of the Reform School for the years 1863 and 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Hazen,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	Horton,	Rowe,

G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
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Warner,
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Wendell,
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Wilcox,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Fenton, in the county of Genessee, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of taxes in said township,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,
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Green,
Hawley,
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Phillips,
Reed,

Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
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Woodworth,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 7, entitled

A bill to amend section 3459, of compiled laws, relative to bonds of registers in chancery,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,

Forbes,
Gies,
Green,
Hawley,

Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,

NAYS.

Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Speaker, 69

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Jackson," approved February 14, 1857,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken

A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Green,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,

Hazen,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallory,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,

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Mr. Reed,

Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Speaker, 69

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Fisher,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to provide for proving the by-laws, ordinances and resolutions of incorporated cities and villages, in certain cases,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Hawley,	Mr. Phillips.	
A. Allen,	Haynes,	Reed,	
G. W. Allen,	Hazen,	Rowe,	
Ball,	O. F. Howard,	Runyan,	
Beach,	Jenness,	Sanderson,	
Boies,	Jewell,	Seymour,	
Bond,	G. C. Jones,	Shier,	
Brockway,	Kenney,	Slocum,	
Cady,	Landon,	L. Smith,	
Camburn,	Lapham,	Swift,	
Carleton,	Lewis,	Taylor,	
Cobb,	Luther,	Tupper,	
Colwell,	Mallary,	Utley,	
Copley,	Maxwell,	Van Vleet,	
Dort,	McKay,	Warner,	
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Wendell,	
Dusseau,	Mickley,	White,	
Fellows,	Monroe,	Wilcox,	
Fisher,	Munger,	Willits,	
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Winsor,	
Gies,	Nixon,	Woodworth,	
Green,	O'Grady,	Speaker,	66

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Mr. Horton,	Mr. Welch,	Mr. Williams,	3
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Title agreed to.

Mr. Brockway moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect, by the House;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Monroe gave notice that he would, on Monday, move to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 281, of session laws of 1861, and add

a new section, for improving a road in Eaton and Ingham counties,

Being under consideration,

On motion of Mr. Nixon,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on roads and bridges.

House bill No. 74, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 61, of the session laws of 1863, entitled an act to authorize the building of a bridge across the Menominee river, and to appropriate six sections of swamp lands to the county of Menominee for the purpose of building the same,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Rowe,
G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Runyan,
Ball,	O. F. Howard,	Sanderson,
Beach,	Jenness,	Seymour,
Boies,	Jewell,	Shier,
Bond,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,
Brockway,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Cady,	Landon,	Swift,
Camburn,	Lapham,	Taylor,
Carleton,	Lewis,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Luther,	Utley,
Colwell,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	Maxwell,	Warner,
Dort,	McKay,	Welch,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dusseau,	Mickley,	White,
Fellows,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Munger,	Willits,
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Gies,	Nixon,	Winsor,
Green,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,
Hawley,	Phillips,	Speaker,

NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 12, entitled

A bill to amend sections four and five of an act entitled "An act for the appropriation of swamp lands to the counties of Houghton and Keweenaw, for the construction of the Mineral Range State road," approved March 20, 1863,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Rowe,
G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Runyan,
Ball,	O. F. Howard,	Sanderson,
Beach,	Jenness,	Seymour,
Boies,	Jewell,	Shier,
Bond,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,
Brockway,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Cady,	Landon,	Swift,
Camburn,	Lapham,	Taylor,
Carleton,	Lewis,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Luther,	Utle,
Colwell,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	Maxwell,	Warner,
Dort,	McKay,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	White,
Dusseau,	Mickley,	Wilcox,
Fellows,	Monroe,	Willits,
Fisher,	Munger,	Williams,
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Winsor,
Gies,	Nixon,	Woodworth,
Green,	O'Grady,	Speaker,
Hawley,	Phillips,	

NAYS.

Title agreed to.

Senate bill No. 23, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Niles,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Green,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,

Mr. Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Tupper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 71, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of State road contracts in the county of Menominee,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the Senators elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
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Mallary,
Maxwell,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
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Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,

Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Green,
Hawley,

McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,
Reed,

Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. Boies,
Haynes,

Mr. Monroe,

Mr. Wilcox,

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Title agreed to.

House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of a road to be known as the Cass River and Wild Fowl Bay State road,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Green,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Phillips,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Trapper,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

House bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to authorize the sheriffs of certain counties to serve processes issued by justices of the peace,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Horton,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Rowe,
G. W. Allen,	Jenness,	Sanderson,
Beach,	Jewell,	Seymour,
Bond,	G. C. Jones,	Shier,
Brockway,	Kenney,	Slocum,
Cady,	Landon,	L. Smith,
Camburn,	Lapham,	Swift,
Carleton,	Lewis,	Taylor,
Cobb,	Luther,	Tupper,
Colwell,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	Maxwell,	Warner,
Dort,	McKay,	Welch,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dusseau,	Mickley,	White,
Fellows,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Forbes,	Munger,	Willits,
Gies,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Green,	Nixon,	Winsor,
Hawley,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,
Haynes,	Phillips,	Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. Ball,	Mr. Hazen,	Mr. Utley,
Boies,	Runyan,	

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Title agreed to.

Mr. Maxwell moved that the bill be ordered to take immediate effect;

Which motion did not prevail.

House bill No. 67, entitled

A bill to consolidate the townships of Oceana and Dalton, in Muskegon county, and to create three townships from the territory thereof,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Carleton asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend section 3 of the bill by striking out the words "Silver Creek," in the first and second lines of the section, and also by striking out the same words in the first line of section five, and inserting in lieu thereof, in each case, the words "Blue Lake."

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Rowe,
G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Runyan,
Ball,	O. F. Howard,	Sanderson,
Beach	Jenness,	Seymour,
Boies,	Jewell,	Shier,
Bond,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,
Brockway,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Cady,	Landon,	Swift,
Camburn,	Lapham,	Taylor,
Carleton,	Lewis,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Luther,	Utley,
Colwell,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	Maxwell,	Warner,
Dort,	McKay,	Welch,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Dussean,	Mickley,	White,
Fellows,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Forbes,	Munger,	Willits,
Gies,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Green,	Nixon,	Winsor,
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,
Hawley,	Phillips,	Speaker,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Carleton,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to authorize the Detroit and Grand River Plank Road Company to discontinue and abandon a portion of their road,

Being under consideration,

Mr. Mallary asked and obtained the unanimous consent of

the House to amend the first line of section one of the bill, by striking out the words "and Howell," and inserting in lieu thereof the word "River."

The bill was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr Hawley,	Mr. Phillips,	
A. Allen,	Haynes,	Reed,	
G. W. Allen,	Hazen,	Rowe,	
Ball,	Horton,	Runyan,	
Beach,	O. F. Howard,	Sanderson,	
Boies,	Jenness,	Seymour,	
Bond,	Jewell,	Shier,	
Brockway,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,	
Cady,	Kenney,	L. Smith,	
Camburn,	Landon,	Swift,	
Carleton,	Lapham,	Taylor,	
Cobb,	Lewis,	Tupper,	
Colwell,	Luther,	Utley,	
Copley,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,	
Dort,	Maxwell,	Warner,	
Dunlap,	McKay,	Wendell,	
Dussean,	McKernan,	White,	
Fellows,	Mickley,	Wilcox,	
Fisher,	Monroe,	Willits,	
Forbes,	Munger,	Williams,	
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The question being on agreeing to the title,

Mr. Mallary moved to amend the title by striking out the words "and Grand;"

Which motion prevailed.

The title, as amended, was then agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Horton moved that the House take a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon;

Mr. Landon moved that the House adjourn;

Which motion did not prevail.

The motion to take a recess did not prevail.

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the incorporation of boards of trade and chambers of commerce, approved March 19, 1863,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Griswold,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	Hawley,	Rowe,
G. W. Allen,	Haynes,	Runyan,
Ball,	Hazen,	Sanderson,
Beach,	O. F. Howard,	Seymour,
Boies,	Jenness,	Shier,
Bond,	Jewell,	Slocum,
Brockway,	G. C. Jones,	L. Smith,
Cady,	Kenney,	Swift,
Camburn,	Landon,	Taylor,
Carleton,	Lapham,	Tupper,
Cobb,	Lewis,	Utley,
Colwell,	Luther,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	Mallary,	Warner,
Dort,	Maxwell,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	McKay,	White,
Dussean,	McKernan,	Wilcox,
Fellows,	Mickley,	Willits,
Fisher,	Monroe,	Williams,
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Winsor,
Gies,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,
Green,	Phillips,	Speaker,

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Mr. Munger, Mr. Nixon,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. O'Grady,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to authorize the Niles Hydraulic Company to increase its capital stock,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Hawley,	Mr. Phillips,	
A. Allen,	Haynes,	Reed,	
G. W. Allen,	Hazen,	Rowe,	
Ball,	Horton,	Runyan,	
Beach,	O. F. Howard,	Sanderson,	
Boies,	Jenness,	Seymour,	
Bond,	Jewell,	Shier,	
Brockway,	G. O. Jones,	Slocum,	
Cady,	Kenney,	L. Smith,	
Camburn,	Landon,	Swift,	
Carleton,	Lapham,	Taylor,	
Cobb,	Lewis,	Tupper,	
Colwell,	Luther,	Utley,	
Copley,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,	
Dort,	Maxwell,	Warner,	
Dunlap,	McKay,	Wendell,	
Dusseau,	McKernan,	White,	
Fellows,	Mickley,	Wilcox,	
Fisher,	Monroe,	Willits,	
Forbes,	Munger,	Williams,	
Gies,	Newcomb,	Winsor,	
Green,	Nixon,	Woodworth,	
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Speaker,	69
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

On motion of Mr. Landon,

The House adjourned until Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Monday, February, 13, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Potter.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Bartow and Yawkey.

Mr. Dusseau asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Bartow, for the day.

Mr. Taylor asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Yawkey, until Thursday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Bonine: petition of Martin V. B. Charles, asking for *the seat* now occupied in this House by E. J. Bonine;

Referred to the committee on elections.

By Mr. Bonine: petition of J. N. Chipman, and 27 others, asking for an increase of constables' fees;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Wendell: petition of Alexey Perreault, Michael Marley, and many others, praying for an amendment to the fishing laws;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

By Mr. Taylor: petition for a more adequate compensation of the county officers in Saginaw county;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Utley: petition of A. N. Williams and five others, praying that the county of Clare may be detached from the county of Isabella, and attached to the county of Mecosta;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Lewis: remonstrance of E. S. White, and 40 others, citizens of Tuscola, against the organization of the county of Lincoln;

Also: remonstrance of S. I. Miller and 39 others, citizens of Tuscola, against the organization of the county of Lincoln;

Also: remonstrance of R. S. Weaver, and 50 others, citizens of Tuscola, against the organization of the county of Lincoln;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Chipman: remonstrance of 362 citizens and tax-payers of the city of Detroit, against the Metropolitan police bill, with their petition in favor of the bill relative to the police of said city, heretofore ordered printed by the House;

Also: remonstrance of 187 tax-payers and citizens of Detroit, against the Metropolitan police bill;

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reds of others in this State. The nature of the ground being such, that the common seine cannot be successfully used thereon, hundreds of honest, industrious enterprising men now have their all invested in pound and trap nets, boats and other fixtures, for fishing with this kind of nets. A law to prohibit the use of these nets, would not only render this property useless and of no value, and ruin the owners, but would cripple one of the great and growing resources of the State, and your petitioners would ever pray.

By Mr. Green: memorial of John W. Longyear, and 45 others, citizens of Michigan now in Washington, for the re-establishment of the Michigan State military agency in said city;

Referred to the committee on ways and means.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The memorial was ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the memorial:

To the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

Your memorialists, citizens of the State of Michigan, now in the city of Washington, respectfully represent: That the Military State Agency, for the past two years under the charge of Dr. Joseph Tunnicliff, Jr., has been of incalculable benefit to the sick and wounded soldiers of our State—not only by affording them pecuniary relief, but in giving them information, and aiding them in innumerable ways, as only a duly authorized State Agent can—showing to the soldier that he is not forgotten by his State, and that when he is brought wounded from the battle-field, there is some one here to give him in the name of the State, such assistance as he may need.

Among other duties performed by a State Agent, are the visiting of hospitals, and the procuring of discharges, transfers, furloughs, back pay, transportation, &c., &c., matters of every day occurrence, for sick and wounded soldiers. At the present time many furloughs are being granted to the soldiers of the army of the Potomac, and the applications at the State Agency for aid and information, have ranged for some time past from 100 to 150 per day. The furloughed soldier arrives in the city

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tient endurance, and unsurpassed valor, in upholding the old flag, they have placed the name of Michigan high upon the roll of honor among her sister States. We cannot do too much for these brave men. As one way in which the State can render them valuable service, when needed the most, we pray that the State Agency may receive your fostering care.

The appropriation made by the last Legislature, for this purpose, has been exhausted, and the agency in this city discontinued, as appears by the following copy of an official letter from the Governor of the State:

"EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, January 21, 1865. }

JOSEPH TUNNICLIFF, JR., M. D., *Washington, D. C.*

DEAR SIR—The fund provided by the last Legislature of this State, and placed in the hands of Gov. Blair, for the payment of such expenditures as should be incurred by him in the appointment of agencies for the relief of needy soldiers, having been expended, as I have reason to believe, and no further provision having yet been made, I shall not hold myself responsible for any payments made, or services rendered, on behalf of the State by such agencies, beyond such sums as may come into my possession from said fund, and not having any official knowledge of the term for which you were appointed by Gov. Blair, you will consider your appointment as revoked by me, provided the same is still in force.

Respectfully, yours, &c.,

HENRY H. CRAPO, *Governor.*"

Thus, Michigan is now the only State largely represented in the Union armies in Virginia having no agent in this city. This ought not to be. Knowing that the agency here has been of great service to our soldiers, we earnestly pray you to re-establish such agency immediately, by making the necessary appropriation therefor, and the appointment of some suitable person thereto, so that it may not appear that our State is

becoming tired of seeking to promote the welfare and comfort of her brave sons. And your memorialists, as in duty bound, will ever pray, &c.

Jno. W. Longyear,

Chas. Upson,

F. C. Beaman,

F. W. Kellogg,

J. F. Driggs,

Z. Chandler,

Ed. W. Barber,

George P. Sanford,

Samuel Grisson,

Wm. H. H. Beadle, Major

Vet. Res. Corps, late Lieut.

Col. 1st Mich. S. S.,

Wm. K. Tillotson, Lieut. and

Q. M. 3d reg't V. R. C.,

Martin A. Watson,

Henry H. Smith,

N. H. Thompson,

Wm. E. Kelsey,

John J. Callahan,

Wm. D. Mack,

Theo. V. Purdy,

Samuel Houghton,

S. A. Sheldon,

M. L. Higgins,

M. E. N. Howell,

D. T. Pierce,

Col. Orlando H. Moore,

C. Oscar Thompson,

W. Kellogg,

S. O. Hotchkiss,

Jno. B. Bloss,

Wm. P. Thompson,

Jos. B. Clark,

L. B. Adams,

John W. Green,

J. W. Gray—I most heartily

approve of maintaining a

State agency, but know

nothing of the merits of

the present incumbent, as

I have been absent from

the city for the past year,

F. N. Clark,

O. McKnight,

S. Yorke AtLee,

Jabez Fox,

D. A. McNair,

Thos. J. Hulbert,

F. A. Willett,

Edwin Downing,

J. F. Johnson,

A. C. White,

H. L. Thayer, Capt. A. Q. M.

J. B. Ten Eyck,

H. A. Snow,

O. L. Spaulding, Col. 23d

Mich. V. I.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on ways and means be, and they are hereby instructed to report to this House, the present condition of the war loan bounty fund, and if further legislation is necessary to provide means for the payment of State bounties, contemplated by House bill No. 78, and if such necessity exists, to report a bill for that purpose,

Respectfully report that they have had the subject under consideration, and have directed me to report that \$230,000 of the war bounty fund (authorized by act 24, session laws of 1864,) have been sold, leaving \$270,000 of bonds unsold, but the funds have been overdrawn now by about \$93,000, leaving a balance in the war fund of \$177,000, after the sale of said bonds at par. By the Quartermaster General's report, of Nov. 30, 1864, it appears that the sum of \$147,400 was due soldiers in the field who enlisted after the bounty act of Feb. 5th, 1864. Probably but a small portion of that indebtedness has been paid, up to this time. There would remain, after paying this indebtedness, about \$30,000 of the war bounty loan.

Your committee, in connection with the finance committee of the Senate, have had the subject of providing means for the payment of State bounties, contemplated by House bill No. 78, under serious consideration for some days, and have conferred with the Governor and State Treasurer on the subject, and it may not be improper for the committee to state that the Adjutant General has gone to Washington in hopes of being able to convince the War Department that there must be some mistake in the assignment of the quota of this State, and if possible, to obtain a reduction of that quota. The joint committee of the two House have deemed it best to wait a few days, and, if possible, to learn the result of the Adjutant General's mission before bringing in a bill providing for a new loan. The joint committee have been assured by the proper officers that the State Treasury is in condition to carry any amount that will probably be required for bounties, till a loan can be provided for and placed upon the market.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred
A bill to legalize the tax rolls of the townships of Green,
Richland, Leonard, Mecosta and Deerfield, in the county of
Mecosta,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under con-
sideration, and have directed me to report the same back to
the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,
and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the
subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of
whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred
A bill to provide for the levying and collecting of taxes for
the maintenance of free schools in the city of Detroit,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under con-
sideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying
substitute, and recommend that the substitute be adopted, and
ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the sub-
ject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute re-
ported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee
of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was re-
ferred the petition of Rollin Sprague, Edward P. Harris and
58 others, citizens of the eastern part of Oakland county, for
the repeal of the charter of the Royal Oak and Rochester plank
road company,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill providing for the repeal of the charter of the Royal Oak and Rochester plank road company,

In accordance with the prayers of the petitioners, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing of a State road, to be known as an extension of the Capao and Clyde State road, and appropriating certain swamp lands for the construction of the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill for the acceptance of the donation of public lands, made by an act of Congress, approved June 20th, 1864, for the construction of certain wagon roads, for military and postal purposes, and to provide for the construction of the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the

House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred several petitions, asking for a State road in Huron county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying bill to the House, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out a State road in Huron county,
And recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred the petitions of A. W. Clark and others, D. B. Harrington and others, in relation to a change in the location of a part of the Bay City and Port Huron State road,

Respectfully report the same back to the House, according to instruction of the House.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Winsor,

The petitioners were granted leave to withdraw their petition.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

A bill changing the boundary line between the townships of Columbia and Napoleon, in the county of Jackson,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

A bill to change the name of the village now known as Brunson Harbor, in Berrien county, to Benton Harbor,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred the petition of John S. Dixon and others, for a new county, to be called Charlevoix,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Fellows,

The petition was laid on the table.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to restore section 86, of town one north, of range 1: east, to the town of Warren, in the county of Macomb,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize school district No. 4, in the township of Pulaski, in the county of Jackson, to issue bonds,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

A joint resolution asking the government of the United States for the construction of a ship canal around the Falls of Niagara,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROCKWAY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred

Joint resolution asking Congress for a grant of lands to aid in the construction of a railroad from Eakanawba to the Straits of Michilimackinac,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROOKWAY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred the petition of W. W. Bliss and 44 others, asking for a law to denationalize such persons as have or shall run away from the country to avoid the draft,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, expressing the opinion that the thing asked for ought to be done, but your committee are of the opinion that the only way to accomplish the object is by amending the Constitution to that effect; they therefore report the petition back to the House, and ask that it be referred to the committee on the amendment of the Constitution, and your committee ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROOKWAY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Brookway,

The petition was referred to the select joint committee on amendments to the Constitution.

By the committee on agriculture and manufactures:

The committee on agriculture and manufactures, to whom was referred

A bill to encourage the erection and support of water-power manufactories,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

GEO. LUTHER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred sundry petitions and memorials of citizens of Wayne county, relative to a law providing for a police government for the city of Detroit,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that they be laid on the table, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The recommendations of the committee were concurred in, and the petitions and memorials were laid on the table.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred sundry petitions asking for the payment of the salaries of circuit judges in gold, and sundry other petitions asking for the payment of the traveling expenses of circuit judges,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill to authorize the payment of the traveling and term expenses to circuit judges,

And recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred the memorial of Allen R. Burr, of Lansing, asking for relief as one of the co-sureties of John McKinney, late State Treasurer,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying joint resolution, providing for the relief asked for by the memorialist, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of Allen R. Burr,

Recommending that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend chapter 51, of the compiled laws, by adding a new section thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 83, chapter 17; being section 815 of the compiled laws, relating to the per centage for collecting expenses,

Respectfully report the same back to the House without having taken any action thereon, and recommend that the same be referred to the committee on ways and means, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The recommendations of the committee were concurred in, and the bill was referred to the committee on ways and means.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred the petition of William W. Bliss, F. L. Eaton and 51 others, asking it to be made a penal offense to sell intoxicating drinks on election days,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and find the case is covered by general law, so as to make any further legislation superfluous and unnecessary, and recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The petitioners were granted leave to withdraw their petition.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred the petition of P. L. Phelan and 25 other citizens of Ontonagon county, praying the Legislature to repeal the law prohibiting the sale and manufacture of spirituous and intoxicating liquors,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have instructed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the prayer of the

petitioners be not granted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The petitioners were granted leave to withdraw their petition.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 85, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to designate the holidays to be observed in the acceptance and payment of bills of exchange and promissory notes, and in the holding of courts, approved February 7, 1859, relative to the continuance of suits,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled an act to abolish the fees of clerks in the Supreme Court, being act No. 281, of the session laws of 1859,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Newcomb,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 17, of an act entitled an act to prevent the manufacture and sale of spirituous and intoxicating liquors as a beverage,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Bonine,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2032 and 2033, of the compiled laws, relative to gifts and conveyances of property to or for the use of religious societies, and institutions connected therewith,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend sections 1, 13 and 20, of act No. 211, of the

session laws of 1861, approved March 15, 1861, and being an act to incorporate the village of Lowell,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 11, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend act 121, session laws of 1863, to provide for the relief, by counties, of the families of volunteers, mustered into the military service of the United States, or of this State, approved March 19, 1863, by adding thereto another section;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Cobb, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the

township of Kalamazoo, in the county of Kalamazoo, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Cobb,

The rules were suspended, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Cobb gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend act No. 262, of the session laws of 1859, approved February 15, 1859.

Mr. Carleton gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing a State road from the head of White Lake, in Muskegon county, to Corbin's mills, in Oceana county.

Mr. Monroe gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the payment of a uniform compensation to all persons who shall hereafter be drafted and mustered into the military service of the United States from this State, under the present or any future call of the President of the United States for troops, during the present war.

Mr. Griswold gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to limit the time for the commencement of actions upon judgment of courts of record;

Also,

A bill providing for manner in which married women shall execute conveyances of their separate property.

Mr. Warner offered the following:

Resolved, That hereafter, until otherwise ordered, only one thousand copies of the Legislative Journal be printed for the use of the House;

Which was adopted. •

Mr. Swift gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for the preservation of drains and ditches.

Mr. O. F. Howard gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill authorizing the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Three Rivers, to mortgage their church property.

Mr. Van Vleet gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the sale of swamp lands, licensed under act No. 229, of session laws of 1859, and the acts amendatory thereto, in certain cases.

Mr. Graham gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the village of Buchanan, and to repeal all inconsistent acts and parts of acts, approved March 7th, 1863.

Mr. Warner offered the following:

Whereas, The editor of "The Lansing State Republican" has demonstrated to the entire satisfaction of the members of this House, his peculiar faculty, and extraordinary ability, in judging of the very singular characteristics of the larger species of the animal creation, as evinced by an editorial article contained in the last issue of that paper; therefore,

Resolved, That the said editor of "The Lansing State Republican" be tendered the use of the Hall of the House of Representatives at some future time within his convenience, for the purpose of delivering a public lecture, but intended particularly for the benefit of the members of this House, upon the subject of animals inferior to the "elephant."

Mr. Horton moved that the resolution be referred to a select committee of three, consisting of Messrs. Brockway, Chipman and Morton;

Mr. Chipman moved that two members be added to said committee, consisting of Messrs. Horton and Griswold;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Griswold moved that the name of the chairman of the

committee on education, Mr. Williams, be added to said committee, and that he be made chairman thereof;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Landon moved that the resolution be laid on the table; Which motion did not prevail.

The motion of Mr. Horton, to refer, as amended, was then agreed to.

Mr. Hazen, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for assessing property at its true value, and for levying and collecting taxes thereon, approved February 14, 1853, and an act amendatory thereto, approved February 4, 1858.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Hazen, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to apportion anew the Representatives among the several counties and districts of this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Horton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to incorporate the village of Newport, St. Clair county, together with certain other territory, being described in this bill as a body corporate and politic, to be known and designated by the name and title of the city of Marine City.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Copley, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize the township of Volinia, in the county of Cass, and the township of Decatur, in the county of Van Buren, to levy taxes for the improvement of the road leading from the village of Decatur to Little Prairie Ronde.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Van Vleet, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend sections 6 and 7 of act 157, of session laws of 1863, being an act to provide for improving a certain State road from the village of Gaines to the village of Flushing, in the county of Genesee.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. G. W. Allen, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to enable the holders of lands within this State to perpetuate testimony relative to their lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Swift, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize fractional school district No. 2, of the townships of Plymouth and Novi, in the counties of Wayne and Oakland, to issue bonds.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Warner, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend a joint resolution for the relief of Wm. Dingman, approved January 31, 1865.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to regulate the license and keeping of dogs.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures.

Mr. Phillips, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to attach certain territory to the township of Shiawassee, in the county of Shiawassee.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Carleton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the laying out and constructing a State road, from the head of White Lake, in Muskegon county, to Big Rapids, in Newaygo county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Swift, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the incorporation of associations for the publication of periodicals, newspapers, books, tracts, documents and other publications.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Gies, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for assessing property at its true value, and for levying and collecting taxes thereon, approved February 14, 1853, and an act amendatory thereto, approved February 4, 1858.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Utley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill granting swamp lands to the county of Newaygo, to aid in the erection of a bridge across the Muskegon river, in said county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Green, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill appropriating certain highway taxes for the improvement of a road in the counties of Eaton, Ionia and Clinton.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to enable the Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw Railroad Company to make certain contracts, and to acquire certain rights now held by the Amboy, Lansing and Traverse Bay Railroad Company.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the city of Saginaw to raise money to aid in the construction of the Amboy, Lansing, and Traverse Bay Railroad.

Mr. Horton offered the following:

Whereas, By the late decision of the Supreme Court of this State, the soldiers' voting law, passed at the extra session of the Legislature of 1864, is declared unconstitutional, and consequently all votes cast by soldiers in the field were null and void;

And whereas, There are members of this honorable body now holding seats by virtue of the soldiers' vote, cast in the field or in other States, contrary to law, and thereby excluding parties justly and legally elected to said seats by the laws of the State governing the elective franchise;

And whereas, If these members are still permitted to retain their seats, in violation of law, as determined by the highest judicial tribunal of the State Government, then we, as one branch of the Legislature of this State, establish the principle that a minority and not a majority vote shall represent those districts, and by so doing we strike down the great principle of republican government; therefore,

Be it Resolved, That any member holding or having obtained his seat in this legislative body, by virtue of such soldiers' vote as is declared by the late decision of the Supreme Court to be null and void, be and are hereby requested to yield such seat to their opponent, on presentation to this Honorable body the board of canvassers' certificate, certifying that such person has

received a majority of the legal votes of his or their district, without further delay.

Mr. Williams moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which motion was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The resolution was referred to the committee on elections.

Mr. Monroe moved to reconsider the vote by which the House passed Senate bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to provide for proving the by-laws, ordinances and resolutions of incorporated cities and villages, in certain cases;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Monroe asked the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by striking out the 9th, 10th and 11th lines;

Pending which,

Mr. Beach moved to lay the bill on the table;

Which motion was withdrawn.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Utley gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section 19, of act No. 1, of laws passed at special session held in May, 1861.

Mr. Munger offered the following:

Whereas, Certain gentlemen in this House have uniformly opposed a State bounty, upon the ground that their districts had furnished their quota;

And whereas, Said gentlemen, in glorifying themselves, have charged the rest of the State with being laggard and unpatriotic;

And whereas, It appears from the late official statement of the Provost Marshal General, that said gentlemen had counted their chickens before they were hatched;

And whereas, The enforcement of the draft in their several districts, might leave this House minus a quorum;

And whereas, Feeling a deep sense of justice, prompted by

the gentlemen's long pathetic speeches, we pledge ourselves to overlook their former haughty bearing, and would respectfully recommend, (the Senate concurring,) that an additional State bounty of one hundred dollars be appropriated to each volunteer from their several districts, and also recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, (By and with the advise and consent of the Senate,) that a committee of three (of these gentlemen) be appointed to proceed at once to Washington, and *compel* Col. Fry to rearrange their quotas so as to conform to their former vaunted statements;

Laid on the table for one day, under the rules.

Mr. Gies offered the following :

Resolved, That the report of the special committee, to whom was referred the printing of the Governor's message in the German language, be taken from the table;

Mr. Horton demanded the yeas and nays on the adoption of the resolution;

The demand was seconded, and the resolution was not adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. G. W. Allen,	Mr. Gies,	Mr. Maxwell,
Ball,	Green,	McKernan,
Bond,	Hawley,	O'Grady,
Cady,	Horton,	Pack,
Chipman,	O. F. Howard,	Utley,
Colwell,	J. H. Jones,	Welch,
Dort,	G. C. Jones,	Wendell,
Dussean,	Mallary,	Winsor,
Forbes,		

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NAYS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Jenness,	Mr. Runyan,
A. Allen,	Jewell,	Sanderson,
Beach,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Boies,	Laing,	Shier,
Bonine,	Landon,	Slocum,
Brockway,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
Camburn,	Lewis,	Swift,
Carleton,	Luther,	Taylor,
Cobb,	McKay,	Warner,

Copley,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Griswold,
Haynes,
Hazen,

Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Osborn,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,

White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,

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Mr. Wendell gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for extending the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Holmes, in Mackinaw county.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to legalize the action of certain townships, cities and counties, in raising bounties for volunteers,

Being under consideration,

Mr. Warner asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend section two of the bill, by striking out between lines 16 and 17, the words, "except where a larger rate of interest has been agreed upon; in such cases ten per cent. per annum may be paid," and inserting at the end of the section, the words, "unless a higher rate of interest, or a longer time has been agreed upon."

Mr. Williams asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to further amend the bill by adding at the end of section three thereof, the following proviso:

"Provided, The foregoing sections one, two and three of this act, shall apply only to indebtedness actually accruing, not exceeding one hundred dollars for each volunteer enlisted to fill the present call for 300,000 men, enlisted to fill the quota of the township of Lawrence, county of Van Buren, subsequent to December 14th, 1864."

Mr. Brockway asked the unanimous consent of the House to add at the end of the first section of the bill the following: "for a sum not exceeding three hundred dollars for each man

that has been so mustered into the service of the United States;"

Objected to by Mr. Welch.

Mr. Haynes asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by inserting in the fourteenth line of section three thereof, after the word "county," the words "or the township board of any township."

Mr. Swift asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by inserting, in the 9th line of section one, after the word "military," the words "or naval."

Mr. Horton moved that the bill be recommitted to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order;

Which motion did not prevail.

The question being upon the passage of the bill,

The bill was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Phillips,
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Reed,
G. W. Allen,	Horton,	Rowe,
Ball,	O. F. Howard,	Runyan,
Boies,	Jenness,	Sanderson,
Bond,	Jewell,	Seymour,
Bonine,	J. H. Jones,	Shier,
Brockway,	G. C. Jones,	Slocum,
Cady,	Kenney,	L. Smith,
Camburn,	Laing,	Swift,
Carleton,	Landon,	Taylor,
Chipman,	Lapham,	Utley,
Cobb,	Lewis,	Van Vleet,
Colwell,	Luther,	Warner,
Copley,	Mallary,	Welch,
Dort,	Maxwell,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	White,
Fellows,	Mickley,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Monroe,	Willits,
Forbes,	Munger,	Williams,
Gies,	Newcomb,	Winsor,
Graham,	Nixon,	Woodruff,

Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,

Woodworth,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Warner,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 8, entitled

A bill to amend sections 2032 and 2033, of the compiled laws, relative to gifts and conveyances of property to or for the use of religious societies, and institutions connected therewith,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken

A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brookway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,

Mr. Haynes,

Hazen,
O. F. Howard,
Jéwell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Maxwell,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,

Mr. Phillips,

Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Swift,
Taylor,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. Chipman,
Dusseau,
Forbes,

Mr. Hawley,
Jenness,
Mallory,

Mr. McKay,
Reed,
Wendell,

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Title agreed to.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Kalamazoo, in the county of Kalamazoo, for the year 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Griswold,	Mr. Pack,
A. Allen,	Hawley,	Phillips,
G. W. Allen,	Haynes,	Reed,
Ball,	Hazen,	Rowe,
Beach,	O. F. Howard,	Runyan,
Boies,	Jewell,	Sanderson,
Bond,	J. H. Jones,	Seymour,
Bonine,	G. C. Jones,	Shier,
Brockway,	Kenney,	Slocum,
Cady,	Laing,	L. Smith,
Camburn,	Landon,	Swift,
Carleton,	Lapham,	Taylor,
Chipman,	Lewis,	Utiley,
Cobb,	Luther,	Van Vleet,
Colwell,	Mallary,	Warner,
Copley,	Maxwell,	Welch,
Dort,	McKay,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	McKernan,	White,
Dussean,	Mickley,	Wilcox,
Fellows,	Monroe,	Willits,
Fisher,	Munger,	Williams,
Forbes,	Newcomb,	Winsor,
Gies,	Nixon,	Woodruff,
Graham,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,
Green,	Osborn,	Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Cobb,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Boies in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bills:

1. House bill No. 70, entitled

A bill imposing a specific tax upon corporations and chartered companies engaged in the business of mining, smelting or refining ores in this State;

2. House bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to provide for the improvement of the navigation of the Saginaw river, and for the removal of the outer bar, at the mouth thereof, and to authorize Bay county to loan money in aid thereof;

Have made sundry amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend their passage.

JOHN K. BOIES, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Mallary moved that the House concur in the amendments made by the committee to the first named bill, *in gross*;

Pending which motion,

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The amendments made by the committee to the second named bill were concurred in, *in gross*, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Bonine,

The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Laing recorded his vote in favor of the joint resolution,

ratifying the amendment to the Constitution of the United States, abolishing slavery.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. O'Grady in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

1. House bill No 69, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to prevent fishing with seines and every kind of nets, in certain counties of the State of Michigan, approved March 16, 1861;

Have made an amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration the following entitled bills:

2. House bill No. 73, entitled

A bill to change the name of the First Congregational Society of Medina, to the First Presbyterian Society of Medina;

3. House bill No. 68, entitled

A bill appropriating money for the purchase of land for the Reform School;

4. House bill No. 94, entitled

A bill relative to the public schools of the city of Ann Arbor;

5. House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to amend an act amendatory of the several acts relating to the Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion, and the Albion Female Collegiate Institute, approved February 25, 1861;

6. House bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids," approved February 10, 1859, and

further to amend "an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids;"

7. House bill No. 93, entitled

A bill to legalize the action of the corporate authorities of the city of Ann Arbor, in issuing bonds or certificates of indebtedness to aid in the erection of a suitable building for the use of the medical department of the University of Michigan, and to provide for the payment thereof;

8. House bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to provide for the draining and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of State roads, in the counties of Mackinac, Chippewa, Schoolcraft and Marquette;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend their passage.

The committee of the whole have also had under consideration,

House joint resolution No. 18, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of William Woodhouse and Charles W. Butler;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend its passage.

JAMES O'GRADY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hawley,

The House concurred in the amendment made by the committee to the first named bill, and the bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Munger,

The second, third, fourth, fifth, sixth, seventh and eighth named bills, and the joint resolution, were placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Tuesday, February 14, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Weed.

Roll called: quorum present.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. McKernan: remonstrance of James Crawford, county treasurer, John Vivian, county clerk, John Alexander, supervisor, and 80 others, citizens of Keweenaw county, against the organization of new townships in said county;

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The remonstrance was referred to the committee on towns and counties, and ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the remonstrance:

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, residents of the county of Keweenaw, respectfully represent, that they have received information that there has been brought before your honorable bodies, and urged for immediate and inconsiderate action, a bill for the alteration of the boundaries of the several townships composing the county of Keweenaw, viz: Copper Harbor, Eagle Harbor and Houghton, and the organization of four additional townships out of the territory at present included within the limits of said townships.

The general laws of this State prescribe the mode in which the alteration of the boundaries and the organization of new townships can be effected, upon the application of twelve freeholders to the board of supervisors of the county, for that purpose; and we are fully persuaded that the reason the parties who have projected this scheme, have not adopted the course marked out by the statutes, is because it would not receive the assent of the requisite number of freeholders to entitle it to the consideration of the board of supervisors. In short, it is a project that has been hatched in the dark, by a few individuals whose interests are not identified with the general welfare, and who seek

to promote their own private views and local interests at the expense of the many, without any consultation with, or concurrence of the people whose interests will be affected by the proposed change. We hold that the existing townships are not so large as to interfere with the economical and efficient administration of township and county affairs, while an increase of the number would impair the efficiency of the organization, and multiply taxes.

That you may fully understand the situation of the present townships, geographically, we will state that ninety-nine one-hundredths of the population of each of the townships of Eagle Harbor and Houghton, which have a population of about twenty-five hundred respectively, live within an area of four miles square; and a common centre of three miles would include the entire population of each. Copper Harbor is more sparsely settled, and its settlements are more remote from each other than either Eagle Harbor or Houghton, but its population, which does not exceed one thousand, could not well sustain two or three separate township organizations.

• The maintenance of four additional township organizations would add vastly to the aggregate cost of administering our local concerns, thus increasing our taxes at a period when retrenchment, rather than increased expenditures, is so much needed to enable us to meet other public burdens. Our population is so centralized that additional townships will not subserve the public convenience; and it is evident from the difficulty now experienced to secure the services of competent men to discharge the duties of the several township offices, that it would be almost impossible to sustain the several township organizations, if the present territory is erected into the unnatural and inconvenient divisions proposed.

As tax-payers then, whose interest it is to keep our taxes at as low an ebb as possible, consistent with the public interest; as citizens who do not feel that our interest or convenience will be promoted, but rather prejudiced, by the proposed change, we trust to the wisdom of your honorable bodies, in taking no action

that shall be detrimental to the vital interests of our people. We therefore respectfully but earnestly remonstrate against the passage of said bill, and shall ever pray.

By Mr. Chipman: memorial of Nicholas Thelen and others, relative to silk culture;

On motion of Mr. Chipman,

The memorial was referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures, and was ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the memorial:

To the Hon. Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

Permit the undersigned to lay before you the following: I am a native of the River Rhine, also, acquainted with the climate of Southern Europe, and for fifteen years have been a resident of North America, (Wisconsin, Illinois, Indiana, and for twelve years of Michigan.)

A learned Frenchman, Mr. Chervaux, superintended, on account of the King's Government, a large silk raising establishment, near Coblenz. I commenced, under Mr. Chervaux, as an assistant, the said business, on my own account; raised silk from 1840 to 1849, and became fully familiar with the whole industry. I had about 10,000 trees raised from seeds. The business became to be very lucrative, when I had to leave my home. Many others tried the same, all with satisfactory success.

Since I have been in America, I have had my attention directed to silk culture, but as I am obliged here to make my living by my profession, as a surveyor and civil engineer, I had no chance to begin, and farther, as there were no silk factories here, also, no market for cocoons. But as such establishments now are in progress in the United States, it would be prudent to start this very lucrative culture here. It would soon become general. It would bring wealth for our farmers, and millions of dollars every year would not go into other countries. Especially in our days it is the duty for the Government and for every individual to contribute all we can to our general wel-

fare. As early as 1822, James I. promoted the silk culture, and a considerable number of trees were planted in Virginia. In 1651 it was tried again, but by men who had not sufficient experience. A few years before the Revolution, a quantity of silk was raised of a very good quality, but then it failed by the troubles of the times. In 1783 the Legislature of Connecticut granted money for the promotion of this branch of culture, and that State has continued, and in 1844 has raised 17,620 pounds of silk. In 1830 it was tried in Philadelphia, where they raised abundance of cocoons, but the enterprise failed for want of funds. It may be about 40 years ago, when the settlers along our lakes tried to raise silk, but without experience in, and without knowledge of, the subject. All I can hear and gather about those enterprises strengthen my opinion, confirm the fact, that it would do very well here, if it could be done with sufficient knowledge, care and endurance. Some mulberry trees from said time are here remaining yet, without any digging or plowing around, without any manure, without any care whatever, and these trees are sound and look well yet. The settlers at that time, poor as they were, had to expect, from every thing they cultivated, a harvest the very year they planted, or they had to give it up. But now most of the farmers are settled pretty well, and raise abundant, and can stand it to let the tree have time to produce plenty of food for the silk-worms.

The mulberry silk-worm is in some years subject to sickness more than the *Rezinus* silk-worm, who was introduced in Germany by Mr. Kaufmaan, Vice President of the Acclamation Society of Prussia. This species gave the best success. The worm is reared with less trouble and expense, and produces silk abundantly. Also, the *Alianthus* silk-worm, introduced into France by the naturalist, Mr. Guérin de Méville, can be easily raised, and has proved rich remuneration.

The *Rezinus* and *Alianthus* furnish a cheap and substantial stuff for clothing, wearing much longer than any other material now in use, give us anyhow every year a harvest more

sure, and a much larger quantity, so that all different kinds ought to be cultivated, and by attending to the same carefully, and by crossing the breed, etc., we could make great improvements. However, the mulberry silk-worm furnish us, anyhow, the finest silk, and we always want them, too.

The land has to be properly prepared for the seeds. After the seeds are in the ground, if the plantation shall have good success, a man very familiar with the whole concern, and some other hands, have always full employment. Then there are different things to be taken care of, as watering, weeding, trimming, transplanting, grafting, &c.

In the third and fourth year there will be leaves enough for commencing the raising of silk to show the people the proceedings and treatments from the eggs to the period when the worms spin and cocoons are ready for sale, and the eggs for the next raise secured. After some years more the trees furnish sufficient leaves for the worms to make it very lucrative. The waiting on the worms until they spin can be done mostly by children from ten to fifteen years of age, under careful direction. Nursing the worms takes only thirty-six to forty days.

But there must more be done than recommending it—more than to distribute a pamphlet among the people. The matter has to be taught, shown in practice. The people have to gain experience, then the success will be sure. I could show numerous cases from the old country, just as many as here, that by the government or by privates, were recommended very paying branches of industry or culture, recommended in every shape and manner, and the benefits proved by figures. Nevertheless, the people did not try it. The benefits were plain, but the people had no confidence to get along until they had seen how it was done. For instance: the Prefect Lessia Magnesia, in Coblenz, (under Napoleon I.,) recommended and praised the Luzerne clover, planted and raised in a proper way, would support more than twice as many cattle, horses, sheep, etc., as without it. The people said “Napoleon knows how to encour-

age, lead and handle an army, how to whip his enemies, how to conquer countries—but how to feed cattle, that we know better than he.” We could most say, the Prefect forced the people to try it. The people put the seeds in boiling water, and afterwards in the ground. Therewith they proved to the Prefect that the seeds would not grow in that climate.

Also, he recommended the gathering of juice of manure in cisterns from the stables and manure places. The juice contains the essence of the manure, and should be used as manure. But it had no effect. Nobody tried it. Similar cases can be cited in this country and everywhere.

Then the said Prefect cultivated a farm on government account, and practiced such inventions. Every farmer went directly into it. By such operation they have sufficient manure, and raise plenty of food for numerous cattle, horses and sheep. Farmers and gardeners have since, more benefit of 10 acres, than without it of 20 acres, by equal assiduous and careful cultivation.

This very institution yet exists to-day, below Coblenz, in Engers, on government account, profitable for the government and a blessing for the country. In each township of the province is \$5 every year added to the taxes, and raised for said institution; and every man from that province, if he takes a certificate from the town clerk, stating that he is a resident of said town, is entitled to any kind of trees, seeds, etc., for half price, and to all the information of inventions and improvements that there are known. So it effects more than the best agricultural school could do.

Also established the government, 1840, a plantation near Coblenz, for raising silk.

The history of silk shows what effect and expense the government in France, Germany, and England have made to forward silk culture. If properly managed, it will become an article, in a commercial point of view, of the greatest importance—much more important than cotton. The surest plan to secure silk culture will be, if the government furnish land and build-

ings, and have it superintended as an institution of the State, with the instruction, to show and inform, friendly, every person who may wish to become acquainted and familiar with the whole proceedings of this branch of industry. Call meetings, organize societies, publish reports on the progress, every year, fully, in the patent office documents, and besides, during the year, in some other agricultural, and now and then in some other public journal.

From such exertion it is to be expected that in a few years millions of trees will be planted by farmers, and silk-worms nursed all over in the country with good success. In such way it will not be a long time until the government will recover its advanced endorsement, the plantation will be free, and silk culture by the farmers will be established and secured for future periods. Silk culture will occupy in future an important place in our commercial articles and history. In every report of silk culture there will be always mentioned those men who fostered the industry by which our ladies are dressed so nicely, and our country will become wealthy and rich.

Those of our senators and representatives in Congress who will use their influence and power and exert themselves to improve the pecuniary conditions of our country, will confer a great blessing to the present as well as future generations.

The war, has caused great expenses, and consequently debts. Nevertheless, our national honor requires that it shall be finished; but at the same time we ought to avail ourselves of all the means which will tend to return a general prosperity to the whole country by fostering and encouraging prosperous and successful enterprises in every business pursuit which promises a lucrative return to well directed investments and industry, and aside from the great pecuniary importance of raising our own silk in our own country, and this branch of industry sustained in its inception, will ere long add largely to the productive wealth of the nation. And the undersigned would respectfully suggest, that your honorable body should make appropriation for the encouragement of silk culture in

this State, by way of land, furnishing of seeds and necessary materials for a successful beginning, and the appointment of a superintendent to direct and control the working of the undertaking, until for a sufficient time to enable the farmers and capitalists to witness the working thereof, and the sure prospect to gain to those who shall employ their time and invest their means in this lucrative enterprise.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

NICHOLAS THELEN.

Detroit, Jan. 15, 1865.

DETROIT, January 30, 1865.

Nicholas Thelen, Esq., who forwards the above petition, has been for many years a resident of this city, and well known as a citizen of much respectability and personal worth. The object of his petition merits careful consideration, and in the opinion of the undersigned might be readily and cheaply provided for in connection with our Agricultural College.

GEO. DUFFIELD,

C. I. WALKER,

E. C. WALKER,

E. C. HINSDALE,

H. T. BACKUS,

GEO. V. N. LOTHROP,

ALFRED RUSSELL,

D. BETHUNE DUFFIELD,

B. F. H. WITHERELL.

By Mr. Dunlap: petition of Nelson A. Hall and others, to annex certain sections of land, located in Grand Traverse county, to Antrim county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Carleton: petition of James Carless, Geo. W. Franklin and 51 others, praying for a State road from the head of White Lake, in Muskegon county, to Corbin's Mills, in Oceana county;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Mallary: petition of 88 citizens of the townships of Mussey and Emmet, in the county of St Clair, praying that a law may be passed appropriating all the unsold swamp and forfeited lands in said townships, to drain the swamps in said townships;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Phillips: remonstrance of L. Arnold and 30 others, against attaching to the township of Shiawassee, Shiawassee county, certain territory now belonging to the township of Antrim;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Warner: memorial of D. C. Buckland, John P. Le Roy and others, of Oakland county, asking the re-enactment of the law of 1859, relating to the salary of judges of probate;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Chipman: petition of Grove H. Wolcott and others, citizens of Jackson, for amendment of the game law;

Referred to the committee on game.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the trustees of fractional school district No. 2, of the townships of Plymouth and Novi, in the counties of Wayne and Oakland, to issue bonds,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill authorizing the boards of supervisors of the several counties in the Upper Peninsula to appoint commissioners to fill vacancies in the office of State road commissioner in the counties in the Upper Peninsula,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was recommitted Senate bill No. 21, entitled

A bill to protect employers of emigrant labor, contracted under the provisions of an act of Congress, approved July 4th, 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred so much of the Governor's message as relates to immigration, submit the following report:

That it is of the most essential importance to the welfare of the State of Michigan that immigration should be encouraged; that such legislation should be had at the present session as will have a direct influence in bringing within our State all

classes of foreign emigrants who are "inured to toil by habits of industry and labor." The committee, in examining this subject, find that other of the north-western States have, for many years past, made annual appropriations for the purpose of spreading such information before the industrial classes of Europe as would result in encouraging them to seek new homes within their borders; for this purpose State agents have been appointed, men of integrity and comprehensive intelligence, whose entire time and effort should be devoted to the especial purpose of printing and furnishing to those who might be induced to go abroad, correct information as to the resources of their respective States, and to furnish them facilities for travel, by proper arrangements with lines of ocean steamers, and the railroad thoroughfares.

Your committee would recommend that the same course be taken by the State of Michigan, and that a law be enacted under which the Governor, by and with the advise and consent of the Senate, shall appoint an agent, to be named the Immigration Agent of Michigan, whose duty it shall be, by all proper means, to encourage the emigration to Michigan from Great Britain and Europe, of laborers who may become connected with the agricultural, manufacturing, mechanical and mineral interests of our people, and to accomplish this purpose your committee would submit the following bill, entitled

A bill to encourage immigration;

And ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to amend sections 6 and 7, of act 157, of session laws

of 1863, being an act to provide for improving a certain State road from the village of Gaines to the village of Flushing, in the county of Genesee,

Respectfully report that they had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the township of Volinia, in the county of Cass, and the township of Decatur, in the county of Van Buren, to levy taxes for the improvement of the road leading from the village of Decatur to Little Prairie Ronde,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred the petition of the trustees, and other citizens of Lockport and vicinity, of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Three Rivers, for authority to mortgage their church property for the purpose of completing their church edifice, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill to authorize the trustees of the First Methodist Episcopal Church, of Three Rivers, in the county of St. Joseph, to mortgage their church property to complete their church edifice,

And recommend that the same do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was recommitted Senate bill No 19, entitled

A bill to provide for proving the by-laws, ordinances and resolutions of incorporated cities and villages in certain cases,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Jenness,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on engrossment and enrollment:

The committee on engrossment and enrollment report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor, the following entitled bills:

A bill to continue in force the provisions of an act entitled an act appropriating certain taxes for the improvement of a State

road in the counties of Montcalm and Gratiot, being Act No. 233, approved February 15th, 1859, and to amend section two of said act;

Also,

A bill to amend sections 34 and 35, of chapter 17, of the compiled laws, relating to the assessing and collecting of taxes;

Also,

A bill to authorize Jesse Spalding to connect his boom, on the Menominee river, with the Michigan shore, and to build, keep and maintain, a dividing boom on said Menominee river, in Menominee county, in the State of Michigan;

Also,

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Pulaski, in Jackson county, for the year 1864;

Also,

A bill to authorize the Forest Valley Salt Manufacturing Company to engage in the manufacture of lumber;

Also,

A bill to lay out and establish a State road in the counties of Mecosta, Osceola and Missaukee, and to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes thereon;

Also,

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act to amend section 26, and repeal sections 27, 28 and 29, of chapter 150, title 29, of the revised statutes of 1846, approved February 16th, 1857, being section 5658, of compiled laws, relative to the rates of legal advertising.

JOHN LANDON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted.

By the committee on fisheries:

The committee on fisheries, to whom was referred the petition of citizens of Emmett county, praying for the passage of a law to prevent fishing with seines, pound nets, &c., in the inland lakes of said county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying bill to the House, entitled

A bill to prevent fishing with seines and pound nets in the inland lakes, &c., of the counties of Emmett and Cheboygan,

And recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. A. T. WENDELL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Wells gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section two of an act entitled "an act to authorize the formation of corporations for mining, smelting or manufacturing iron, copper, mineral coal, silver or other ores or minerals, and for other manufacturing purposes," approved February 5th, 1853, being section 1800 of the compiled laws.

Mr. Griswold offered the following:

Resolved, That the use of this Hall, on Friday evening next, be granted to the Calliopean Society, for the purpose of a literary and musical entertainment, to be given for the benefit and relief of sick and wounded Michigan soldiers;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Warner gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend section two, of act No. 79, of session laws of 1863, relating to the salary of Judges of Probate;

Also,

A bill amendatory of "An act to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States," approved Feb. 4, 1865;

Also,

A bill to authorize the State Librarian to sell certain books and public documents.

Mr. Gies gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend chapter 10, of the compiled laws of 1857, relating to county surveyors.

Mr. Graham, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the village of Buchanan, and to repeal all inconsistent acts and parts of acts," approved March 7th, 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Griswold, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to limit the time in which actions may be commenced upon judgment of courts of record.

The bill was read a first a second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Cobb, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend act No. 262, of the session laws of 1859, approved February 15, 1859.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Hazen, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the sale of certain swamp lands, licensed under act No. 229, of the session laws of 1859, and acts amendatory thereto,

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Aitkin, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 6, of act No. 241, of session laws of 1861.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to enable the Jackson, Lansing and Saginaw Railroad Company to make certain contracts, and to acquire certain rights now held by the Amboy, Lansing and Traverse Bay Railroad Company.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Carleton, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing a State road from the head of White Lake, in Muskegon county, to Corbin's mills, in Oceana county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Utley, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to detach the county of Clare, from the county of Isabella, and to attach the same for certain purposes, to the county of Mecosta.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Griswold, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the manner in which married women shall execute conveyances of their separate property.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Ball, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize Julia A. Grougan to assign a certain land certificate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Monroe, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the payment of a uniform compensation

to all persons who shall hereafter be drafted and be mustered into the military service of the United States, from this State, under the present or any future call of the President of the United States, for troops during the present war.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Wendell, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Holmes, in the county of Mackinac.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Taylor, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the city of Saginaw to raise money to aid in the construction of the Amboy, Lansing and Traverse Bay railroad.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. O'Grady moved to take from the table House bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to amend sections one and four of an act entitled an act to remit the specific tax upon mining, manufacturing, smelting and other companies of the Upper Peninsula, to the counties in which they arise, for a period of five years, and to provide for the application of the same, approved March 20, 1868;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being on the passage of the bill,

The bill was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bartow,
Bond,
Bonine,
Cady,

Mr. Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,

Mr. Seymour,
Shier,
L. Smith,
Taylor,

Chipman,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Griswold,
Hawley,

Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Maxwell,
May,
McKernan,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Reed,

Utley,
Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Williams,
Woodruff,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
Bayley,
Beach,
Boies,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Copley,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Green,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
J. H. Jones,
Kenney,
Landon,
Lapham,
Mallory,
McKay,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,

Mr. Osborn,
Packard,
Phillips,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Slocum,
Thayer,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Woodworth, 39

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to provide for the improvement of the navigation of the Saginaw river, and for the removal of the outer bar, at the mouth thereof, and to authorize the county of Bay to loan money in aid thereof,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Maxwell asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by striking out, in line 24, of sec. 8, the words, "this act shall take effect and become a law," and inserting in lieu thereof, the words, "said bonds shall be issued;" and by striking out, in the 25th line of said section, the following: "The same shall be void and of no effect, and;"

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Pack,
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Packard,
Bayley,	Horton,	Phillips,
Beach,	O. F. Howard,	Reed,
Boies,	Jewell,	Rowe,
Bond,	J. H. Jones,	Runyan,
Bonine,	G. C. Jones,	Sanderson,
Brockway,	Kenney,	Seymour,
Cady,	Laing,	Shier,
Camburn,	Landon,	Slocum,
Carleton,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
Chipman,	Lewis,	Taylor,
Cobb,	Look,	Thayer,
Colwell,	Luther,	Utley,
Copley,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,
Dort,	Maxwell,	Warner,
Dunlap,	May,	Welch,
Dusseau,	McKay,	Wells,
Fellows,	McKernan,	Wendell,
Fisher,	Mickley,	White,
Forbes,	Monroe,	Wilcox,
Gies,	Munger,	Willits,
Graham,	Newcomb,	Williams,
Green,	Nixon,	Woodruff,
Griswold,	O'Grady,	Woodworth,
Hawley,	Osborn,	Speaker, 78
	NAYS.	0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 73, entitled

A bill to change the name of the First Congregational Society of Medina, to the First Presbyterian Society of Medina,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Osborn,
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Pack,
Bayley,	Horton,	Packard,
Beach,	O. F. Howard,	Phillips,
Boies,	Jenness,	Reed,

Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallory,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,

Rowe,
Runyan,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Williams,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 96, entitled

A bill to amend an act amendatory of the several acts relating to the Wesleyan Seminary, at Albion, and the Albion Female Collegiate Institute, approved February 25, 1861,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
Bayley,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,

Mr. Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,

Mr. Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,

Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,

Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,
Osborn,

Taylor,
Thayer,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Speaker 75

NAYS 0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 82, entitled

A bill to provide for the draining and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of State roads, in the counties of Mackinac, Chippewa, Schoolcraft and Marquette,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on public lands.

House joint resolution No. 18, being

Joint resolution for the relief of William Woodhouse and Charles W. Butler,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
Bayley,
Beach,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,

Mr. O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,

Mr. Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Seymour,
Shier,

Cady,
 Camburn,
 Carleton,
 Chipman,
 Cobb,
 Colwell,
 Copley,
 Dort
 Dunlap,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Forbes,
 Graham,
 Griswold,
 Haynes,
 Horton,

Lewis,
 Look,
 Luther,
 Mallary,
 Maxwell,
 May,
 McKay,
 McKernan,
 Mickley,
 Monroe,
 Munger,
 Newcomb,
 Nixon,
 O'Grady,
 Osborn,
 Pack,

Slocum,
 L. Smith,
 Taylor,
 Thayer,
 Utley,
 Van Vleet,
 Warner,
 Welch,
 Wells,
 Wendell,
 Wilcox,
 Willits,
 Woodruff,
 Woodworth,
 Speaker.

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NAYS.

Mr. Boies,
 Dussean,
 Green,

Mr. Hawley,
 Hazen,
 J. H. Jones,

Mr. Lapham,
 White,
 Williams,

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Title and preamble agreed to.

House bill No. 97, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids," approved February 10, 1859, and further to amend "an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
 A. Allen,
 Bayley,
 Beach,
 Boies,
 Bond,
 Bonine,
 Brockway,
 Cady,
 Camburn,
 Carleton,
 Chipman,
 Cobb,
 Colwell,

Mr. Haynes,
 Hazen,
 Horton,
 O. F. Howard,
 Jenness,
 Jewell,
 J. H. Jones,
 G. C. Jones,
 Kenney,
 Laing,
 Landon,
 Lapham,
 Lewis,
 Look,

Mr. Osborn,
 Pack,
 Packard,
 Phillips,
 Rowe,
 Runyan,
 Sanderson,
 Seymour,
 Shier,
 Slocum,
 L. Smith,
 Taylor,
 Thayer,
 Utley,

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Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,

NAYS.

Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 93, entitled

A bill to legalize the action of the corporate authorities of the city of Ann Arbor, in issuing bonds or certificates of indebtedness to aid in the erection of a suitable building for the use of the medical department of the University of Michigan, and to provide for the payment thereof,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
Bayley,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,

Mr. Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,

Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
O'Grady,

Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

NAYS.

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Title and preamble agreed to.

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 69, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act to prevent fishing with seines, and every kind of nets, in certain counties in the State of Michigan, approved March 16, 1861,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Monroe,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 94, entitled

A bill relative to the public schools of the city of Ann Arbor,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,
A. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,

Mr. Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
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Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Shier,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 68, entitled

A bill appropriating money for the purchase of land for the Reform School,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Haynes asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House, to amend the bill by adding the following proviso at the end thereof:

"Provided, That no more than the sum of five thousand dollars shall ever be paid for the said one hundred acres of land."

Mr. Boies asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill, by inserting in the sixth line thereof, between the words "Auditors" and "that," the words, "that one hundred acres of land has been purchased for the State Reform School;" also, by inserting in the the seventh line of the bill, between the words "papers" and "are," the words, "of conveyance."

On motion of Mr. Warner,

The bill was referred to the committee on the judiciary.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following resolution:

Whereas, Certain gentlemen in this House have uniformly opposed a State bounty, upon the ground that their districts had furnished their quota;

And whereas, Said gentlemen, in glorifying themselves, have charged the rest of the State with being laggard and unpatriotic;

And whereas, It appears from the late official statement of the Provost Marshal General, that said gentlemen had counted their chickens before they were hatched;

And whereas, The enforcement of the draft in their several districts, might leave this House minus a quorum;

And whereas, Feeling a deep sense of justice, prompted by the gentlemen's long pathetic speeches, we pledge ourselves to overlook their former haughty bearing, and would respectfully recommend, (the Senate concurring,) that an additional State bounty of one hundred dollars be appropriated to each volunteer from their several districts, and also recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, (By and with the advise and consent of the Senate,) that a committee of three (of these gentlemen) be appointed to proceed at once to Washington, and compel Col. Fry to rearrange their quotas so as to conform to their former vaunted statements;

Mr. Brockway moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. Shier,

Leave was granted the member who introduced the resolution to withdraw it.

Mr. Munger then withdrew the resolution.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House went into committee of the whole, in consideration of the following bills:

Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit;

And House bill No. 75, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit, approved February 5th, 1857,

Mr. Warner in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration, the following entitled bills:

Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit;

Also, House bill No. 75, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Detroit," approved February 5th, 1857;

Have made some progress therein, but not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

P. DEAN WARNER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted, and leave granted the committee to sit again.

On motion of Mr. Landon,

The House took a recess until this afternoon, at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. G. C. Jones asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Swift, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

By unanimous consent, the Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 14, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 56, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the soldier's relief fund;

2. Senate bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to provide for the election of supervisors in the county of Alpena;

3. Senate bill No. 65, entitled

A bill to amend sections three and four of an act entitled "an act to establish and regulate a mining school in the Upper Peninsula;"

4. Senate bill No. 69, entitled

A bill to abolish the office of District Attorney of the Upper Peninsula;

5. Senate bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Brooks, in the county of Newaygo, for the year 1864;

6. Senate bill No. 71, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Laketon, in the county of Muskegon;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on elections.

The third named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on mines and minerals.

The fourth named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The fifth named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The sixth named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 13, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in Oakfield, Kent county;

2. House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Erin, in the county of Macomb, for the year 1864;

3. House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Redford, in the county of Wayne;

4. House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Port Austin, in the county of Huron;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The several bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 14, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 79, entitled

A bill supplementary to an act entitled an act to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States, approved February 4, 1865;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOMAS H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on war and navy.

GENERAL ORDER

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House went into the committee on the following bills:

Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit;

Also, House bill No. 75, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act approved February 1, 1892, relating to the city of Detroit, approved February 1, 1892.

Mr. Warner in the chair.
After some time spent therein, through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had the honor to report the following entitled bill:

Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit.

Have made no amendment thereto, and the chairman to report the same back to the House for its passage, and ask to be discharged from the consideration of the same.

P. D. W.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. Dort moved to lay the bill on the table.

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Griswold moved that the report be received and the committee discharged from the further consideration of the same.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Bartow moved that the House adjourn.

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Griswold moved that the bill be placed on the calendar for third reading;

Mr. Chipman moved to lay the motion on the table.

Mr. Chipman demanded the yeas and nays.

The demand was seconded, and the motion to lay on the table did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Ball,	Mr. Dort,	Mr. Look,	
Bartow,	Dussean,	Maxwell,	
Bond,	Forbes,	May,	
Cady,	Gies,	McKernan,	
Chipman,	Horton,	O'Grady,	
Colwell,	O. F. Howard,	Wells,	
Copley,	J. H. Jones,	Wendell,	21

NAYS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Reed,	
A. Allen,	G. C. Jones,	Rowe,	
Bayley,	Kenney,	Runyan,	
Beach,	Laing,	Sanderson,	
Boies,	Landon,	Shier,	
Bcnine,	Lapham,	L. Smith,	
Brockway,	Lewis,	Taylor,	
Camburn,	Luther,	Utley,	
Carleton,	Mallary,	Van Vleet,	
Cobb,	McKay,	Warner,	
Dunlap,	Mickley,	Welch,	
Fellows,	Monroe,	White,	
Fisher,	Munger,	Wilcox,	
Graham,	Newcomb,	Willits,	
Green,	Nixon,	Williams,	
Griswold,	Osborn,	Woodruff,	
Haynes,	Pack,	Woodworth,	
Hazen,	Packard,	Speaker,	56
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The motion to place the bill on the order of third reading then prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Luther,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 15, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Meyer.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Morton asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Taylor: memorial of sundry stockholders of the Amboy, Lansing and Traverse Bay Railroad Company, asking the appointment of a committee by the Legislature to examine into certain frauds and misdemeanors, on the part of said company, whereby your memorialists claim said company have forfeited their rights in and claim to the grant of lands donated by Congress to aid in building said road;

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The memorial was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The memorial was ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the memorial:

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, citizens of said State, respectfully represent that they are stockholders of the Amboy, Lansing and Traverse Bay Railroad Company, and have paid the stock subscribed by them respectively.

That in or about the month of February, 1859, Alfred L. Williams, Alvin N. Hart, George C. Munroe, William H. Brockway, Marvin Hannahs, Henry Smith, Walter W. Murphy, Henry A. Shaw, H. B. Shank, George W. Peck, Geo. W. Bullock, John Gallagher and J. H. Lockwood were elected directors of said company, and no election of directors has since been held. That upon the said election, or soon thereafter, the said Alfred L. Williams was chosen president of said board of directors, the said Alvin N. Hart was chosen vice president, and George C. Munroe was chosen treasurer, and at or about the same time, the said last named persons were, with one or two others, whose names are unknown to your petitioners, made the executive committee of said board. That as your petitioners are informed in and by certain pleadings filed in court, it appears that said Alfred L. Williams, Alvin N. Hart and George C.

Munroe, taking advantage of their said official position, in the month of March, 1859, entered upon the following scheme to cheat and defraud your petitioners and the other stockholders of said company by getting up a contract for building the road of said company from Lansing to Owosso, at a price which was prejudicial to the interest of said stockholders, and in which each of them should have a tenth interest as partners.

That to this end they got up a contract for building the road of said company, in which Wm. P. Innis, then the acting resident engineer of said company, was one party, and the said company was the other party, in and by which the said Innis agreed to construct the said road from Lansing to Owosso, a distance of about twenty-seven miles, for the sum of \$650,000, payable one-half in the stock and the other half in the bonds of the company. That said contract was duly executed by said Alfred L. Williams, as president of the company, and by said Wm. P. Innis; that upon, or very soon after the execution of the said contract, the said Innis assigned to each of the persons above named, one-tenth interest in said contract, by instrument in writing, which they have held ever since and now hold, they agreeing to furnish and provide one-tenth of the means to carry on said work under the said contract. That other parties whose names are unknown to your petitioners, have had assigned to them, as they are informed, a like one-tenth interest in said contract.

That the work was commenced under said contract, and the said Alfred L. Williams, Alvin N. Hart and George C. Munroe entered upon the fulfillment of the same, acting ostensibly as such officers of said company, but really as contractors.

That whilst acting in said double capacity, the persons last named have obtained from said Company its first mortgage and mortgage bonds upon its road from Lansing to Owosso, dated February, 1860, to the amount of..... \$224,000

Also, its second mortgage and land bonds, upon same

road and 65,000 acres of land, dated November

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sentations, and delivered by said Jones to said Williams, to be used for the above purpose, for which said Williams gave to said Jones his receipt, to account for it as above. Your petitioners would further represent, that as they are informed and believe, the said Williams had no such negotiation pending as he represented; but instead of using it for any such purpose, he procured the blank power of attorney on the back of the certificates of said stock which had been signed by said Jones, in the name of R. H. Gilson & Co., to be filled up, making one B. E. Hart, son of said A. N. Hart, an attorney to transfer said stock on the books of the Company, and under such power of attorney so obtained and executed, the said B. E. Hart, as the attorney of said R. H. Gilson & Co., assigned said \$100,000 of stock to said Alfred L. Williams, and said Alfred L. Williams now claims to hold and own said stock, and the right to vote on the same.

Your petitioners charge and aver that said stock is fraudulent and illegal, and was so procured to cheat and defraud them, and the other bona fide stockholders of their just rights, and they also charge that said Williams, Hart & Munroe, all cooperated in such issue of said stock for the purpose of defrauding your petitioners and other stockholders, as above stated.

Your petitioners further represent, that in becoming so interested in said contract, the said Williams, Hart & Munroe were guilty of a fraud and gross wrong against your petitioners and the other stockholders of said Company and the people of this State; that by reason of such fraudulent conduct the said Company has a road from Lansing to Owosso in an unfinished state, without any means to finish it or put upon it the necessary rolling stock to operate it, and the whole enterprise for which said Company was organized seems to be ruined and destroyed, and without immediate legislative action the land grant will be lost to the enterprise.

Your petitioners would further represent, that as they are informed and believe, most if not all the other members of the

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By Mr. Bond: petition of the board of
 county, for an amendment to the recent
 r volunteers, so as to enable any drafted
 shing a substitute, to receive the same

On motion of Mr. Bond,

The petition was referred to the comm
 and was ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the petition:

At a special meeting of the board of sup
 Wayne, held in the city of Detroit, on
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Resolved, That the supervisors of Way
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men, provided they enter the service, shall also be entitled to the same bounty; and that the chairman be directed to send copies to our Representatives.

A true copy.

S. DOW ELWOOD,
Chairman Board Supervisors of Wayne County.

Attest: JAMES D. WEIR, County Clerk.

By Mr. Colwell: petition of A. H. Benedick, H. N. Spencer, P. P. Carmer, and 120 others, of the township of Handy, Livingston county, asking that a law be passed authorizing said township to refund certain moneys paid for war bounties since August 1, 1864;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Aitken: petition of the county surveyor and 12 other business citizens of Genesee county, praying for amendments to the law with regard to duties and fees of surveyors;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Woodruff: petition of J. F. Miller, and 43 other citizens of Berrien county, for increasing the compensation of county surveyors, and for amending certain laws appertaining to surveys of land, and remarking government corners;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Horton: petition of David H. Gallagher and others, asking that certain territory in the township of Cottrelville, St. Clair county, be incorporated as an independent corporation, by the name of Marine City;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Taylor: remonstrance of D. L. C. Eaton and 129 others, against any part of the city of Saginaw being set off to the township of Saginaw;

Also: remonstrance of the mayor and common council of the city of Saginaw, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

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A bill to amend an act entitled an a
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A bill to enable the Jackson, Lansi
Company to make certain contracts
rights now held by the Amboy, La
Railroad Company,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on military affairs:

The committee on military affairs, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No. 8, entitled

Joint resolution in relation to military orders and circulars issued by the Provost Marshal General,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. J. WOODMAN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on agriculture and manufactures:

The committee on agriculture and manufactures, to whom was referred sundry petitions and memorials from citizens of Allegan, Livingston and Genesee counties, relative to the dog law; also, to whom was referred

A bill to amend sections 3, 4 and 7, of the session laws of 1863, entitled an act to protect the owners of sheep from damage done by dogs;

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A bill to protect the owners of sheep from damage done by dogs;

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A bill to regulate the license and keeping of dogs,

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to the day of sale, was violated. It is evident that the publication is illegal, because more than one week intervenes between the day of sale and the last day of publication. For, if one day more than one week may be permitted to so intervene, why not two days? And if two days, why not three?—a week, or a month? Where is the line of demarcation to be drawn?

The publication was manifestly illegal, and the sales made thereunder void. The question now is, can the Legislature legalize these sales? Or in other words, can the Legislature declare a direct violation of our tax laws to be legal, where the rights of third parties are concerned?

The practice of legalizing illegal action has taken a pretty wide range in this as well as in previous sessions. Whether that be a sound policy—whether such procedure be legal in ordinary cases, is not now for the committee to decide. But the case is not an ordinary one. We are not called upon to legislate in a matter concerning one or two parties, but it is a matter in which the rights and interests of hundreds are concerned, and the committee deem it beyond the power of the Legislature to confirm titles to land which were acquired in a manner directly in contravention to the laws of the land.

That the law deals harshly here with the publishers of the Detroit Advertiser and Tribune, who certainly made the said publication in good faith, believing that it satisfied the requirements of the law, cannot be denied. But the law is ordained for the one as well as for all, and being, in the language of a learned Judge, "the very foundation of justice," it must take its legitimate course in this as in other instances.

The committee have placed themselves in correspondence with the Department, the Auditor General, in order to receive all the light and information possible in this case. They are informed that a number of descriptions have been redeemed and paid before sale, after the first day of July, 1863. On such descriptions the "expenses of sale," being 40 cents on the description, have been paid to the Auditor General, and it is but

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crime, have made their imprisonment necessary for the protection and safety of society, is a matter in which all who desire the public good have a deep interest. Formerly prisoners were confined in dingy, dark places, built solely with reference to strength, and to make escape impossible; and in which, amid filth, degradation and impurity, the convict was doomed, without a chance for reformation, or moral or intellectual improvement, to pass the time of his sentence. The expression, "to rot in prison," became a verity; and the subject attracting the attention of the philanthropist, Howard, led him to visit the jails and prisons of Europe, with the object of originating some system by which the inmates of these places might be securely kept at a moderate expense, and worked under a discipline tending to their improvement and reformation. Since that time much serious thought has been given to the subject, and we think the reflection and experience of the past few years, has fully demonstrated the truth of the observation, that a prisoner, although convicted of serious crimes, is entitled to pure air, wholesome and sufficient food, protection from cold, the privilege of extra labor, and the devotion of a part of the proceeds of that labor to the support of his family, if he has one. Society has a right to demand that the prisoner shall be securely confined, and that he shall not be made worse, either in body or character, by his imprisonment, that his intemperance or other evil habits shall be restrained, and that education and religious instruction shall be provided for him.

The whole number of prisoners confined within the State Prison at the present time, is 292. There has been a decrease within the past two years of 118. Of this number 178 are males, and 14 females. A large proportion of these convicts are of foreign birth, while a very small number have been born in this State, or received their early training and education within its bounds.

Five of the inmates are insane, and no suitable place has been provided in the Prison in which to keep them separate from the other convicts. Your committee were informed that

some of these deranged persons had committed crime, mind was disordered, and had been sentenced to Prison, because there was no suitable place where they could be safely confined. Experience has shown that exposure to crime, as well as prison life, tend to unseat the mind, and develop insanity; and the association in such a place of insane criminals, must be very hurtful in its effects on the sane classes, as its tendency is to confirm the disease, when it is incurable, when it is already established, and in other cases. They therefore recommend that a separate apartment be provided in the Prison for the deranged convicts. The general arrangement of the Prison is and suitable for the purposes for which it was designed, and the buildings are in a tolerable state of repair. The committee keep the expenses as low as possible, has prevented any unnecessary expenditure. In one respect, however, the Prison is not of the opinion that a change should be made in the Prison, is not, in appearance, what it seems to us it ought to be. Instead of having a forbidding and gloomy air, the mind is pointed to the Father of Light, should be bright, inviting, tidy and cheerful, and in keeping with the sacred teachings. Make this sanctuary a place where prisoners shall love to go, and the influence of good, may be even more lasting than the present. At the same time since it was found that the halls in which the prisoners were confined, could be warmed by the use of stoves, as well as by the use of hot air pipes, and at a saving of five per cent. in the expense of warming the halls, the committee were therefore taken to procure stoves, which have been put in use, and your committee have reason to believe that they have fully accomplished the purposes for which they were designed. The Prison cells are in passable order, and it is the duty of the good housewives of our State, to make the kitchen will compare favorably with the best in the State produce.

In the judgment of the committee, the clothing and bedding furnished to each convict is sufficient and of a good quality; but they regret to say that the same has not been at all times kept in a good condition. The sheets and shirts of the prisoners were, to use the expression of one of the visitors, "awful dirty," and equally satisfied us that too little attention had been paid to washing and cleaning these articles. Personal cleanliness is so necessary to health, and to reformation, that it is sincerely hoped that hereafter the practice may prevail of providing these prisoners with clean clothes.

The system of good time which has been adopted, giving each convict five days for each month of good behavior, has had a beneficial effect, and has greatly tended to increase good conduct on the part of the prisoners.

The committee found the prison yard filled with wagons and lumber; and they were informed that contractors were in the habit of storing articles of this kind there, very much to the annoyance of the agent and officers of the prison. It is hoped that in future other places may be obtained for this purpose, and that the yard be kept free and clean. In the management and conduct of this institution, very much depends upon the character and ability of the officers. The committee desire to bear testimony to the faithful and efficient manner in which the affairs of this important public interest have been conducted by the officers now in charge. They have brought to the trust ability, integrity and a rigid economy, and while we here freely criticise their administrations, and point out such defects as appeared to us, we desire to accord to them the plaudit, which we think they richly deserve, of good and faithful servants. The books and accounts of the prison were open for our inspection and investigation. In looking over these, they seemed to us to be systematic and correct; and we failed to discover any opportunity in the mode of keeping the books, or elsewhere, by which these officers, or any of them, could appropriate to themselves any perquisites aside from those provided by the law.

We believe the finances of the prison are in the hands of the gentlemen who compose the Board. In view of the greatly advanced expenses and increased cost of every article of consumption, we do not regard the present pay of agents as excessive or unequal for their services. The interests of the State in connection with this institution are too important to be neglected, and with, for the trifling sum of a few hundred dollars, men of experience, energy and tried ability can be secured to fill these offices.

W. S. W.

Report accepted and committee discharged.
On motion of Mr. Copley,

Five hundred copies of the report were ordered to be printed by the House.

By the committee on towns and counties,

The committee on towns and counties, report,

A bill to attach certain territory to the county of Shiawassee,

Respectfully report that they have had the bill under consideration, and have directed me to report the same to the House, without amendment, and recommend its passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM

Report accepted and committee discharged.
On motion of Mr. Dort,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on roads and bridges,

The committee on roads and bridges, report,
a manuscript bill, entitled

A bill appropriating certain highway money for the improvement of a road in Eaton, Ionia and Clinton counties.

Respectfully report that they have had the bill under consideration, and have directed me to report the same to the House, without amendment, and recommend its passage.

and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was recommended a manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 231, of session laws of 1861, and add one new section for improving a road in Eaton and Ionia counties,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Landon,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on war bounties:

The committee on war bounties, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 42, the same being

A bill to legalize certain bonds issued by the board of supervisors of the county of Saginaw, for the relief of families of volunteers,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill when so

amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged
consideration of the same.

P. DEAN WARNER

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Aitken,

The House concurred in the amendment made
the committee.

On motion of Mr. Warner,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on war bounties:

The committee on war bounties, to whom was
sent bill No. 79, being

A bill amendatory of "An act to provide for
bounties to volunteers in the military or naval
United States," approved Feb. 4, 1865,

Respectfully report that they have had the same
consideration, and have directed me to report the same
House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending
the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill be
amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from
consideration of the subject.

P. DEAN WARNER,

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The House concurred in the amendment made to
the committee.

On motion of Mr. Warner,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. L. Smith gave notice that on some future day
ask leave to introduce

A bill to appropriate certain non-resident highway
aid in the construction of a plank road from the village
Johns, in Clinton county, to some point on Pine river,
county.

1865.]

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES.

Mr. Laing gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes, of the township of Sciota, in the county of Shiawassee, to build a bridge across the Looking Glass river, in said town, and to open a road leading to said bridge.

Mr. Look offered the following:

Whereas, Certain United States bonds are, by act of Congress, exempt from taxation;

And whereas, The exemption of such bonds tend directly to pay capital against labor, by favoring the more wealthy classes at the expense of the poorer, and to place labor at the mercy of capital, by building up an immense monied aristocracy, whose millions pay no revenue to the government, while the laboring masses are oppressed with burdensome taxation;

And whereas, The preference which is given by the said exemption to one species of capital over another, and to one class of citizens over another, is unjust in its operation, and anti-republican in tendency, and is, furthermore, in conflict with the great principle of political economy, that capital is the only true basis of taxation; therefore,

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That our Senators in Congress are hereby instructed, and our Representatives are hereby requested, to use all honorable means to secure the repeal of all acts and parts of acts, by which any capital which has been heretofore, or which may be hereafter invested in United States bonds, is exempted from its just and equal burden of taxation.

Resolved, That the Governor be, and he hereby is requested to transmit a copy of this preamble and resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress;

Laid on the table for one day, under the rules.
Mr. Ball gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend certain sections of chapter 77, of revised statutes, relative to the estates of non-resident wards.
Mr. Cobb offered the following:

Resolved, That during the remainder of *the* this session, the rule requiring previous notice of resolutions, be suspended: *Provided, however*, introducing bills and joint resolutions, shall first of bills and joint resolutions introduced by the

Which was adopted.

Mr. Thayer recorded his vote in favor of the *fy*ing the amendment of the Constitution of the abolishing slavery.

Mr. Morton, unanimous consent being given,

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to *f* formation of companies to construct plank roads April 8, 1851.

The bill was read a first and second time by its *fer*red to the committee on banks and incorporati

Mr. Morton, unanimous consent being given, in

A bill to provide for the collection of taxes in Monroe.

The bill was read a first and second time by its *fer*red to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Mallary, previous notice having been given being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the payment of State and county the county treasurer, in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its *fer*red to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Wells, previous notice having been given, being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section two of an act entitled authorize the formation of corporations for mining, manufacturing iron, copper, mineral coal, silver or or minerals, and for other manufacturing purposes, February 5th, 1853, being section 1800 of the compi

The bill was read a first and second time by its *fer*red to the committee on mines and minerals.

Mr. Warner, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend section 2, of act No. 79, of session laws of 1863, relating to the salary of judges of probate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Warner, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend "an act to incorporate the city of Pontiac," approved March 15, 1861, and to add certain sections thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Warner, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the State Librarian to sell certain books and public documents.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State Library.

Mr. Bartow, unanimous consent being given, introduced

Joint resolution to authorize the Commissioner of the State Land Office to deed certain lands to Maria E. Linneman.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Munger offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on banks and incorporations be, and are hereby requested to report back to this House, joint resolution No. 11, in relation to the Detroit and Milwaukee railroad;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Horton offered the following:

Resolved, That the chairman of the committee on elections inform this House why said committee have not reported upon sundry petitions referred to them from persons claiming seats in this House;

Mr. Warner moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Mr. Look demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Fisher,
Graham,
Griswold,

Mr. Haynes,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lewis,
Newcomb,

Mr.

NAYS.

Mr. Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Chipman,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Forbes,
Gies,
Green,
Hawley,
Hazen,
Horton,

Mr. M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
J. H. Jones,
Lapham,
Look,
Luther,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
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The resolution was then withdrawn.

Mr. Griswold gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A joint resolution instructing our Senators and Representatives in Congress to use their influence to obtain of a national naval station and dock yard in this State.

Mr. Chipman offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on the judiciary be hereby instructed to inquire and report to this House

the persons controlling, operating, and claiming to own the Detroit and Milwaukee Railway, are an incorporated company, under the laws of this State;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Taylor offered the following:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That a select joint committee of five, consisting of three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, be appointed to examine into certain frauds and misdemeanors alleged to have been committed by the Amboy, Lansing and Traverse Bay Railroad Company, and that said committee be requested to report to this Legislature at as early a day as practicable;

Laid on the table for one day, under the rules.

Mr. Welch gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to authorize the several townships in the counties of Ingham, Clinton, Eaton and Ionia counties, to pledge their credit, and the county of Ionia to raise by tax, or borrow money, to aid in the construction of a railroad from the village of Ionia, in the county of Ionia, to the city of Lansing, in the county of Ingham.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Senate bill No. 15, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit,
Being under consideration,

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The bill was recommitted to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill appropriating certain taxes for the improvement of a road in the counties of Eaton and Ionia, amended and one section added,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The bill was recommitted to the committee.
Senate bill No. 79, entitled

A bill supplementary to an act entitled
for the payment of bounties to volunteers in
naval service of the United States," approved
1865,

Was read a third time, and pending the time
on the passage thereof,

Mr. Monroe moved that the bill be recommitted
to the committee of the whole and placed on the general

Mr. Warner asked the unanimous consent
to amend the bill by adding at the end thereof
proviso: *Provided further*, That the bounties
authorized to be paid to drafted men, shall apply only to
men who may be drafted to fill the present call for 300,000

Objected to by Mr. Monroe;

Mr. Stewart moved to recommit the bill to the
committee on war bounties, with instructions to strike out the proviso
made thereto, by said committee;

Pending which motion,

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed business under the order of the day.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Senate bill No. 79, entitled

A bill supplementary to an act entitled "an act
for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military
service of the United States," approved February 22, 1865.

Having been read a third time, and the question
being put on the motion of Mr. Stewart to recommit the bill to the

on war bounties, with instructions to strike out the amendment reported by them to the bill, and concurred in by the House,

Mr. Monroe moved to amend the instructions to the committee in such a manner that no provision should be made in the bill for the payment of a local bounty to drafted men, but that they should receive the State bounty only;

Mr. Boies moved to amend the amendment to the instructions by also instructing the committee to add the following proviso to the bill: "*Provided*, That the bounties herein authorized to be paid to drafted men shall apply only to those who may be drafted to fill the present call for 800,000 men;"

Which was not agreed to.

The motion of Mr. Monroe was not agreed to.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved to so amend the instructions as to request the committee to report forthwith;

Which amendment was accepted.

The question recurring on the motion to recommit with instructions,

Mr. Monroe called for a division of the question;

The question then being on the motion to recommit the bill,

Mr. Chipman demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion to recommit prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bonine,
Cobb,
Fellows,
Green,
Griswold,
Hazen,
M. D. Howard,

Mr. O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Kenney,
Landon,
Mallory,
McKay,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Pack,
Rowe,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Shier,

Mr. Slocum,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Woodman,
Woodward,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

NAYS.

Mr. Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,

Mr. Hawley,
Horton,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
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The question then recurring on the instruction

Mr. Griswold moved to so amend the instruction
mittee that they should make the bounties provided
only to the present call for 300,000 troops, and
mittee report forthwith;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Bartow moved to so amend the instruction
mittee as to include the following amendments:
fifth line, after the word "State," the words, "and
not enrolled;" also, strike out the word "or," in
after the word "State," and insert the word "and"
thereof;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Winsor then called for a division of the
that the question might be first taken on the original
Mr. Stewart, and then upon the amendment to the
proposed by Mr. Griswold;

The question being first on the motion of Mr. Stewart

It was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Griswold

Mr. Monroe demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was not seconded;

The motion of Mr. Griswold was agreed to.

The committee on war bounties submitted the following report:

The committee on war bounties, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 79, the same being

A bill "supplementary to an act to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States," approved February 4, 1865,

With instructions to amend the same as directed by resolution of the House, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, amended as directed by the House, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

P. D. WARNER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

Mr. Welch moved that the bill be referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order;

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurring upon the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
May,
McKay,

Mr. Packard,
Phillips,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Sloenm,
Taylor,
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Van Vleet,
Warner,

NAYS.

Mr. Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,

Mr. Hawley,
Horton,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
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The question then recurring on the instructions

Mr. Griswold moved to so amend the instructions of the committee that they should make the bounties provided only to the present call for 300,000 troops, and to the committee report forthwith;

Which was agreed to.

Mr. Bartow moved to so amend the instructions of the committee as to include the following amendments: fifth line, after the word "State," the words, "or not enrolled;" also, strike out the word "or," in the fifth line, after the word "State," and insert the word "and" thereof;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Winsor then called for a division of the yeas and nays, that the question might be first taken on the original motion of Mr. Stewart, and then upon the amendment to the motion proposed by Mr. Griswold;

The question being first on the motion of Mr. Stewart;

It was not agreed to.

The question recurring on the motion of Mr. Griswold;

Mr. Monroe demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was not seconded;

The motion of Mr. Griswold was agreed to.

The committee on war bounties submitted the following report:

The committee on war bounties, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 79, the same being

A bill "supplementary to an act to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States," approved February 4, 1865,

With instructions to amend the same as directed by resolution of the House, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, amended as directed by the House, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the same.

P. D. WARNER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

Mr. Welch moved that the bill be referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order;

Which was not agreed to.

The question recurring upon the passage of the bill,

The bill was passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
Bayley,
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Bonine,
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Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Landon,
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Luther,
Mallary,
May,
McKay,

Mr. Packard,
Phillips,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,

Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Forbes,
Gies,
Griswold,
Hawley,

McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,

NAYS.

Mr. G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Cobb,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
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Mr. O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Kenney,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members a
was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Pitts moved that the House adjourn;

Which was not agreed to.

Senate bill No. 42, entitled

A bill to legalize certain bonds issued by the
pervisors of the county of Saginaw, for the relief
volunteers,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of
bers elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,

Mr. Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
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Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Hawley,

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McKay,
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Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pack,
Packard,

Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welob,
Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Fellows,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Green gave notice that he should enter his protest against the hasty and inconsiderate action of the House in the passage of Senate bill No. 79.

On motion of Mr. Bond,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Thursday, February 16, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Weed.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Mr. Yawkey.

Mr. Taylor asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Yawkey, for one day.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By the Speaker: memorial of the board of supervisors of the county of Wayne, asking the Legislature to pass a joint resolution requesting the President of the United States to correct

the quota or assignment of this State, and also to remove Provost Marshal General Fry from office;

On motion of Mr. Wells,

The memorial was ordered printed in the journal and referred to the committee on federal relations.

The following is the memorial:

At a special meeting of the board of supervisors of the county of Wayne, held in the city of Detroit, on the twentieth day of February, A. D. 1865, the following resolutions were unanimously adopted:

Whereas, A call for 500,000 men for one year made by the President of the United States in which the quotas assigned to the sub-districts of this State are mostly filled with three years' men, and it being the opinion of those in authority that the excess of the three years' men should be allowed and calculated on the next draft; and the draft being now ordered for 300,000 men for one year, and the quotas assigned to the sub-districts of this State as well as those assigned elsewhere, appearing to be in disproportion; and an order recently issued by Provost Marshal General Fry, relative to the methods of assigning quotas appearing to be inexplicit, unsatisfactory and unjust; therefore

Be it resolved, By the board of supervisors of Wayne County, Michigan, that the Legislature of this State be, and are hereby requested to adopt a joint resolution, requesting the President of the United States to alter the quota or assignment of this State, and also to remove Provost Marshal General Fry from said office.

Resolved, further, That the county clerk of this county be, and is hereby directed to forward a certified copy of this memorial and resolution to each, the President of the United States, the Speaker of the House, at Lansing, forthwith.

A true copy.

JAMES D. WEIR, County Clerk

By Mr. Taylor: memorial of Denny & Stewart, M. W. Burke, B. F. Taylor, Daniel Wait, A. Limb, Guile, B. Hanchett, M. L. Stewart, W. L. Ament,

W. J. Lyon, T. D. Dewey, John Gutekunst, D. Ingersoll, E. O. White & Bro., Hugh Hagerty, Solon W. Bartram, Charles Backcom, John Scoutten, Godfrey Wert, Milton A. Phelps, James Lawler, John Graham, Henry Stevens, F. F. Mann, Silas A. Whitney, Erastus McWhorter, Rinaldo Bixby, James F. Yents, Andrew G. Kelso, J. C. Williams, A. H. Byerly, O. S. Goodhue, Gould & Todd, D. Gould, F. McClintock, Mason Phelps, John Jamison, Anthony Swarthouse, Wm. Swarthout, T. L. Swarthout, Ralph Swarthout, H. S. Partridge, Charles Weeks, Chauncey Hills, Hugh Swarthout, F. G. Hills, James Hills, by F. G. Hills, executor of James Hills, deceased; John A. Bixby, Silas Phelps, R. H. Blood, Nelson Bixby, F. Kitterage, H. N. Thorp, George P. Moses and G. R. Lyon, stockholders of the Amboy, Lansing and Traverse Bay Railroad Company, asking the appointment of a committee by the Legislature to examine into certain frauds and misdemeanors, on the part of said company, where your memorialists claim said company have forfeited their rights in and claim to the grant of lands donated by Congress to aid in building said road;

On motion of Mr. Taylor,

The memorial was laid on the table.

By Mr. Maxwell: memorial of James Craig, asking for appropriation of 25,000 acres of swamp lands, to aid in the improvement of the navigation of the Sauble river;

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The memorial was referred to the committee on internal improvements, and ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the memorial:

To the Honorable Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, your memorialists, respectfully showeth that the Sauble river is an important stream, emptying into Lake Huron, in the county of Iosco.

That the said river is about one hundred and fifty miles long and nearly the whole length thereof is of sufficient width and depth to afford valuable floatage for logs and lumber, and steamboats and other vessels of light draft.

That for four miles from the mouth of said river the depth of water of twenty feet, inside of the bar mentioned, and that that part of said river is over two hundred and fifty feet wide, being of sufficient width and depth to be considered useful and profitable for the purposes of navigation.

That at the outlet of said river into Lake Huron there is a sand bar over which there is not more than four feet of water, which entirely closes said river against navigation of the same by vessels usually employed in lakes in ordinary commerce.

That there are large and valuable tracts of land along the Sauble river, well adapted to cultivation and agriculture, and that large amounts of pine, hemlock, oak and cedar timber are growing on the banks and in the vicinity of said river, which timber is valuable and could be profitably cut and manufactured into lumber if said sand bar was removed.

That there are no settlements whatever on said river except at Sauble village, at the mouth of said river, where there is a small village of about three hundred inhabitants. That there are over two hundred thousand acres of unsold State lands in said county of Iosco, and that only about one hundred and fifty acres of such lands have been disposed of in the last ten years, during which time the land has been subject to taxation.

And your memorialist believes that if the bar at the mouth of said river was removed, it would open up the whole of said river to settlement and improvement, and that the county of Iosco and the State at large would be greatly benefited thereby, and a demand for the lands of the State along said river would be created which would insure the sale thereof.

Therefore, your memorialist prays that a grant of five thousand acres of State swamp lands may be made for the purpose of aiding in the removal of said bar, and in the improvement and navigation of the said Sauble river; and your memorialist prays.

JAS.

Lansing, February 15th, 1865.

By Mr. Chipman: petition of E. White and numerous other citizens of St. Clair, for a change in the game law;

Referred to the select committee on game.

By Mr. Maxwell: remonstrance of Henry Hayden, Appleton Stevens, and 46 other citizens of Bay county, against the passage of any law prohibiting fishing with trap or pound nets in the waters of Lake Huron, or the waters contiguous thereto;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

By Mr. Maxwell: petition of Appleton Stevens, Joseph F. Marsac, and 30 other citizens of Portsmouth, in Bay county, asking for such an amendment to the game law as will prevent the destruction of muskrats and mink between the first day of April and the first day of December;

Referred to the select committee on game.

By Mr. Dusseau: petition of A. E. Dunbar and 20 others, that you pass an act amending an act entitled an act to amend chapter 10 of the compiled laws, in relation to certain duties and compensation of county surveyors;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. White: petition of David McConnell and others, of the township of Dorr, Allegan county, asking that a committee may be appointed to appraise certain swamp lands on the school section in said township of Dorr;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Newcomb: petition of Peter Sharp, George Exelby, W. W. Sanford and 55 others, to authorize the assessment of \$5,100 for volunteer bounties in the township of Ridgeway, Lenawee county;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Green: petition of M. F. Darrow and 101 others, citizens and tax payers of the townships of Putnam and Hamburg, Livingston county, asking that act No. 49, of the extra session of 1864, may be amended, being the Detroit and Howell railroad act;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Dunlap: petition to unite the villages of
and Waukazooville, Lelanaw county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to encourage the production of petroleum
State,

Respectfully report that they had the same under
eration, and have directed me to report the same to the
House, without amendment, and recommend that it be
and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of
subject.

J. B. COBB, Clerk.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee on
the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred
ate bill No. 25, entitled

A bill to amend section 2, of act 54, of the
1861, approved February 15, 1861, relative to foreign
companies,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under
sideration, and have directed me to report the same to the
the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending
that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, as
so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from further
further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, Clerk.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the amendment made
by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole
placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to authorize Julia A. Grougan to assign a certain land certificate," approved March 20th, 1850,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred the remonstrance of James Crawford and others, residents of Keweenaw county, against the organization of four additional townships in said county, respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have examined into the subject matter of said remonstrance.

As the result of such examination, they know of no facts which should induce them to make any recommendation averse to the bills providing for the proper division of said county into townships, heretofore reported by this committee, and now before the House.

But, on the contrary, additional facts have been brought to the knowledge of the committee, confirming them in their former recommendation that the said bills do pass.

The persons whose names are subscribed to said remonstrance, so far as your committee can ascertain, (and this is nearly all of them,) reside at the village of Eagle River, on the lake coast, and not within the boundaries of either of the proposed new townships; and said remonstrance contains no important new facts.

The merits of the case as they were, on the occasion of their

former report, and have now again been laid before the committee, are, in their judgment, truly and substantially correct. In the deposition of Samuel W. Hill, laid before the committee and hereto appended, he being an old resident of Keweenaw county, and the general superintendent of the Pennsylvania and Delaware Mining Companies, two of the companies petitioning for said new townships.

Your committee, therefore, report said remonstrance to the House without further action or recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

WILLIAM BALL

AFFIDAVIT OF SAMUEL W. HILL.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
Ingham County, } ss.

Samuel W. Hill, being duly sworn, deposeseth that he resides in Keweenaw county, in said State; that he has been in said county for several years, and is now, the General Superintendent of the Pennsylvania, and also of the Delaware Mining Companies in said county, (the former of which companies have invested in their mines, about \$1,000,000,) being two of the companies petitioning the Legislature for the organization of new townships in said county, viz: Clifton, Lincoln, Grand Island, &c. that he has been an actual resident of the territory comprised in said county of Keweenaw, for sixteen years, and has been engaged chiefly in the business of engineering and mining.

The county now consists of but three townships (usually called Eagle River,) Eagle Harbor, and Grand Island. On the lake coast, there are only three settlements, being the villages of Eagle River, Eagle Harbor, and Grand Island, each of which contains only from 200 to 300 inhabitants. But the county contains, as nearly as can be ascertained, 6,000 people, the great bulk of whom live about the lake, at the mines and mining settlements.

Range. On the Mineral Range is situated the great mass of the wealth and taxable property, as well as population of the county. The population and mining capital, either invested or authorized, of the four proposed new towns, as nearly as I can estimate, and as I verily believe to be true, would be as follows:

	Population.	Mining Capital.
Clifton,.....	1,200	\$3,000,000
Lincoln,	1,100	3,000,000
Grant,	1,350	2,500,000
Sibley,.....	300	2,500,000
Totals, (of new towns,)	3,950	\$11,000,000

The following, as nearly as I can estimate, is a statement, and I verily believe the same to be true, of the copper product for 1864, of the county, and also of that part of it included in the four proposed new towns:

	Tons.	Value.
Mineral copper, (whole county,).....	2,452	\$1,716,400
" (new towns,).....	2,132	1,492,400

Those who possess, and are directly interested in the mines, which constitute a very large proportion of the taxable property, feel that they should have a controlling voice in local public affairs, in the vast taxes they have to pay, and the manner in which those of a local character are disposed of. This is practically denied them at present. The town meetings and polls, as well as the places of holding them, are practically controlled at the three villages before mentioned, on the lake coast. The miners who are a numerous class, go from the mines to those villages to vote, and there are easily tempted to give themselves up to intoxicating drinks, and in a large number of cases, do not return for two or three days. As a further natural consequence, they are led to squander their money, and often led into crime, their families are involved in trouble, and the mining companies embarrassed in their operations. But at the mines the sale of intoxicating liquors is prohibited, as a general regulation amongst the mining companies, although liquor is often clandestinely brought there, and this it is almost impossible to prevent.

At the last general election there was a serious riot between the Germans and Irish, at Eagle Harbor, in which more persons were engaged with knives and clubs, and several persons were injured, amongst whom was the son of the county. The subdivision of the county is highly calculated to prevent large bodies of persons of different nationalities from gathering together at a time of so much temptation and excitement.

A board of three supervisors, which is the present mode of governing, cannot properly manage the local interests of this county. At the least, irregularities and evils have come to exist which are intolerable, and I could, if necessary, further point out in detail, referring for proof to incontrovertible facts, and also to records seriously mutilated and altered, which had been made and had taken effect.

Justice to the great interests of the county, and the order, imperatively require, in my belief, the organization of proposed new towns. With only three towns the deficiency of police force in the country.

I know of no better way to divide the county than is proposed and shown by the maps accompanying this report before the Legislature, and by running the town line north and south through the Point. I do not see how it can be run east and west, for the reason that, as is well known, there is no population off the Mineral Range, on the north side of the Point, except at Lac la Belle, and there are no settlements on the south side of the Point, except at the Point. The south side of the Point is unsettled territory, and is chiefly occupied by the mining companies, for wood and other purposes.

Churches.—As a further illustration of the necessity for new towns, and of their people, this deponent states that the following is a true statement of churches now built, in the county, viz:—

At Eagle River village, on Lake.....	
" Copper Harbor, "	
" Eagle Harbor, on Lake, Catholic, (built) ..	
Total,	

In the four proposed new towns, there are in

Clifton—1 Episcopal, 1 Methodist, 1 Catholic, (built)	3
Lincoln—1 Methodist, (built,) 1 Methodist, (subscribed for)	2
Grant—1 Catholic, (built,) 1 Methodist, (being built,) . .	2
Total	7

School-houses.—And the following is a true statement of the school-houses in the county:

One in each of the three villages on the lake coast 3

On the Mineral Range, and within the four proposed new towns:

Built,

Being built,

Total,

Salaries.—As an illustration of the way in which the financial affairs of the county are managed, this deponent states, that is informed by good and credible citizens of Keweenaw county and verily believes, that the supervisors are paying the following salaries, viz:

County Clerk,	\$1,500
“ Treasurer,	1,500

The subject of asking the board of supervisors for the proper division of the county into townships, has been much discussed amongst the officers and persons interested in the principal mining companies in the proposed new towns; but it was taken as a well-known and admitted fact, that it would be useless to do so. The three supervisors, for the last five years, have all resided at the three small villages on the lake coast. It was well known that if the application was made, it would be opposed, as it is now opposed before the Legislature, by the supervisors.

SAML. W. HILL.

Subscribed and sworn to, this 14th day of February, A. D. 1865, before me.

L. K. HEWITT,

Notary Public, Ingham County, Mich.

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Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the State Library:

The committee on the State Library, to whom was referred

A bill authorizing the State Librarian to sell or dispose of certain books and public documents,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

ROLAND B. C. NEWCOMB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 6, of act No. 241, of the session laws of 1861;

Also,

A bill to amend the laws relative to supplying the city of Detroit with pure and wholesome water, and to provide for the completion and management of the Detroit water works;

Also,

A bill to amend act No. 262, of the session laws of 1859, approved February 15, 1859;

Also,

A bill to provide for vacating incorporated villages in certain cases;

Also,

A bill to legalize the action of school district No. 1, of Portage for the years 1863 and 1864;

Also,

A bill to limit the time in which upon judgments of courts of record

Also,

A bill to amend section two, of 1863, relating to the salary of

Respectfully report that they have considered, and have directed in the House, without amendment, bills do pass, and ask to be disconsideration of the subject.

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Report accepted and committee

The several bills were ordered committee of the whole

By the committee

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A bill to extend township of Holt

Respectfully report that they have considered, and have directed in the House, without amendment, bills do pass, and ask to be disconsideration of the subject.

Report accepted

On motion of

The bill was passed

By the committee

The committee referred

A bill to amend formation of counties
April 8, 1861,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying substitute therefor, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act to incorporate the city of Pontiac, approved March 15, 1861, and to add certain sections thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on elections:

The committee on elections, to whom was referred sundry petitions and memorials, asking for the seats of several persons in this House, would respectfully report the same back to the House, and recommend their reference to a special committee of seven, to be appointed by the Speaker. Your committee make this recommendation because there is a great deal of labor to be performed in investigating the several claims to seats, which on account of the length of the daily sessions of this House, will have to be performed evenings, and the health of the chairman of the committee not being in a condition to ad

mit of his being out evenings, would con-
lay in reporting on the several petitions,
to the several contestants, and might
imputations of delay in your committee

RICHARD

Report accepted and committee discharged.
Mr. Gies moved to lay the report on the table.
Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Look moved that the report be read
of the whole, and placed on the general order.
Which was not agreed to.

The recommendations of the committee
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Mr. Wells asked and obtained permission
to present a minority report:

The undersigned, minority of the committee,
leave to report that they are unable to con-
cur with the majority of the committee, to
recommend the several memorials and other papers
submitted to said committee, in relation to contested
elections, that the same be referred to the

These cases were appropriately referred to the
committee on elections. This committee is provided for
the House, for the special purpose of considering
and reporting on all questions of this kind, and
for the action of the House. Special committees
pointed, except upon matters which do not come
within the province of any of the standing committees,
the frequent creation should be discouraged to insure
a speedy transaction of the business of the House.
The presence of contested election cases to the
standing committee on elections is essential,
and is not in accordance with parliamentary usage,
equally violated by a transfer to a special
committee, unless urgent reasons exist.

prolonged absence or physical inability of a majority of a standing committee—a too great accumulation of business referred—want of confidence in the committee on the part of the House, might constitute sufficient reasons. None of these reasons exist here. A majority of the committee are present, and in the daily discharge of their duties as members of the House. No other business is before the committee except these referred cases. The House has not expressed its want of confidence in the committee.

In addition to this, the undersigned regard the recommendation of the majority of the committee as tending to delay in matters which ought to receive the immediate attention of the House. A speedy decision of the cases referred to is alike demanded by a just regard for the rights of the parties and the dignity of the House. No further delay should occur in these cases unless it is occasioned by an imperative necessity. The undersigned regard the delay incident to the reference of the papers to the House, and the appointment of a special committee, as unnecessary.

For these reasons, and holding themselves in readiness, as members of the committee, to give immediate attention to the matters referred, the undersigned recommend the adoption of the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on elections is hereby instructed to proceed with the immediate consideration of the contested election cases heretofore referred to said committee, and to report thereon at the earliest day practicable.

WILLIAM P. WELLS,
D. G. COLWELL.

Report accepted.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The report was referred to the select committee on the subject, authorized by the House, when such committee should be appointed.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

The Speaker announced the following:

SEN.
Lansing, Feb.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to
the following joint resolution:

Senate joint resolution No. 6, entitled
Joint resolution asking the government
for an appropriation of money, for the
channel of Muskegon harbor, in the State of

Which has passed the Senate by a majority
Senators elect, and in which the concurrence
respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,
THOS.

Secret

The joint resolution was read a first and
title, and referred to the committee on federal

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE
Lansing, Feb.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit
the following bills:

Senate bill No. 73, entitled

A bill to amend sections 29, 34 and 41, of the
compiled laws, relative to actions in replevin

Also, Senate bill No. 26, entitled

A bill to confer an additional grant of public
Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad Company

Which have passed the Senate by a majority
Senators elect, and in which the concurrence
respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,
THOS.

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The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on internal improvements.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 15, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Fenton, the county of Genesee, for the year 1864, and to extend time for the collection of taxes in said township;

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in township of Kalamnzoo, in the county of Kalamazoo, for year 1864;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a jority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Maxwell offered the following:

Whereas, By a resolution of this House, of the 1st of February instant, the use of this Hall was tendered to the learned and able Professor W. W. Ryan, for the evening of the 15th February, inst.;

And whereas, Circumstances adverse, unforeseen and unavoidable, prevented his attendance at that time, thereby greatly disappointing his numerous friends;

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Mr. Nixon gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the counties of Jackson and Eaton, and the cities and townships of such counties, and of Barry and Kent, the townships of Onondaga and Leslie, in Ingham county, and Leighton and Wayland, in Allegan county, to pledge their credit in aid of the construction of a railroad from Jackson to Grand Rapids, approved February 5, 1864.

Mr. Horton offered the following:

Resolved, That the Auditor General be instructed to report to this House the sums paid to each of the commissioners appointed by Ex-Governor Blair to receive the soldiers' vote at the last election, and also all accounts audited to this date in favor of such commissioners, or other persons having anything to do with the collection of the soldiers' vote, within five days;

Mr. Ball offered the following as an amendment to the resolution, to be added at the end thereof:

"Also, report how many commissioners have received pay for such services since the decision of the Supreme Court;"

Which was accepted.

Mr. Monroe moved to lay the resolution on the table.

Mr. Gies demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
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Boies,
Bennett,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,

Mr. Laing,
Landon,
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W. T. Smith,
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Mr. Wendell, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

Joint resolution asking Congress for a donation of lands for the construction of a telegraph line, from some point on the Saginaw river, to the Sault Ste. Marie.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Welch, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to authorize the several townships in the counties of Ingham, Clinton, Eaton and Ionia, to pledge their credit, and the county of Ionia to raise by tax, or borrow money, to aid in the construction of a railroad from the village of Ionia, in the county of Ionia, to the city of Lansing, in the county of Ingham.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the improvement of that portion of the Port Huron, Bay City and Clinton State road, which lies between Bay City and Midland.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section 10 of an act entitled an act for the protection of game in the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the select committee on game.

Mr. Ball, unanimous consent being given, introduced,

A bill to amend section 46, of chapter 101, of the revised statutes, relative to the sale of lands for the payment of debts, by executors, administrators and guardians.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr Boies moved to take from the table Senate bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to provide for proving the by-laws and resolutions of the common council of the villages, in certain cases;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being upon the passage of the bill.

The bill was read a third time and passed by the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.	
Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Horton,
A. Allen,	M. D. Howard,
G. W. Allen,	O. F. Howard,
Bayley,	Jenness,
Ball,	Jewell,
Beach,	J. H. Jones,
Boice,	G. C. Jones,
Bonine,	Keeler,
Brockway,	Kenney,
Cady,	Laing,
Cambarn,	Landon,
Carleton,	Lapham,
Chipman,	Lewis,
Cobb,	Lock,
Colwell,	Luther,
Copley,	Mallary,
Dort,	May,
Dunlap,	McKay,
Dusseau,	McKernan,
Fellows,	Mickley,
Fisher,	Monroe,
Forbes,	Munger,
Graham,	Newcomb,
Green,	Nixon,
Griswold,	Nowland,
Haire,	O'Grady,
Hawley,	Osborn,
Haynes,	Pack,

NAYS.

Mr. Gies,	Mr. Maxwell,
Hazen,	

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Landon,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members present, it was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. Landon moved to take from the table House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill granting the board of supervisors authority to enact laws prohibiting animals from running at large;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Holmes, in the county of Mackinac, for the year 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haynes,	Mr. Phillips,
A. Allen,	Hazen,	Pitts,
G. W. Allen,	Jenness,	Rowe,
Bayley,	Jewell,	Runyan,
Beach,	J. H. Jones,	Sanderson,
Boies,	G. C. Jones,	Schars,
Bond,	Keeler,	Seymour,
Bonine,	Kenney,	Shier,
Brockway,	Laing,	Slocum,
Cady,	Lapham,	L. Smith,
Camburn,	Look,	W. T. Smith,
Carleton,	Luther,	Stewart,
Chipman,	Mallary,	Taylor,
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Thayer,
Colwell,	May,	Van Vleet,
Copley,	McKay,	Warner,
Dort,	McKernan,	Wells,
Dunlap,	Mickley,	Wendell,
Dussean,	Monroe,	White,
Fellows,	Mulger,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Newcomb,	Willits,
Forbes,	Nixon,	Williams,
Gies,	Nowland,	Woodman,
Graham,	O'Grady,	Woodruff,
Griswold,	Osborn,	Woodward,

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Report accepted, and leave granted the committee to sit again.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the special committee to consider the contested election cases pending before the House, as follows: Messrs. Griswold, Warner, Williams, Mickley, Mallary, Wells, and M. D. Howard.

Mr. Monroe moved that the House take a recess until this afternoon at two o'clock;

On motion of Mr. O'Grady,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Friday, February 17, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Meyer.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Mr. Haynes.

Mr. J. H. Jones asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Haynes, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. J. H. Jones: petition of Albert Ferris and 18 citizens of Sherwood township, Branch county, praying that the recent grant of public lands made by act of Congress, on the line of the Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad Company, be conferred on said company;

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

By Mr. White: petition of Silas Stafford and 33 citizens of Martin township, Allegan county, praying that the recent grant of public lands made by Congress on the line of the Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad Company, be conferred on said company;

Also: petition of John G. Colgrove and 106 citizens of Wayland, Allegan county, for the same purpose;

Also: petition of S. D. Smith and 17 citizens of Gun Plains, for the same purpose;

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Grand Rapids and Indiana railroad company, be conferred upon said company;

Also: petition of Russell Bishop and 201 citizens of Schoolcraft township, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

By the Speaker: petition of Seth M. Pease, and other citizens of Aurelius, Ingham county, asking for an enabling act to enable that township to refund bounty money;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. McKernan: petition of Eber B. Ward, John Hutchings, H. J. Buckley, and 20 other leading citizens of Detroit, asking a law authorizing the township of Eagle Harbor to raise money to improve the entrance of Eagle Harbor;

Referred to the committee on harbors.

By Mr. McKernan: remonstrance of A. P. Thomas, agent of Copper Falls Mine, and 6 other mining agents and clerks, the township officers of Eagle Harbor, and 45 other citizens of said township, against the division of Keweenaw county into four new townships;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Stewart: petition of Floris Banker and 41 other citizens of Sherman, St. Joseph county, praying that the recent grants of lands made by Congress on the line of the Grand Rapids and Indiana railroad company, be conferred on said company;

Also: petition of Wm. Allman and 150 citizens of Sturgis, St. Joseph county, for the same purpose;

Also: petition of J. F. Kedel and 45 citizens of Leonidas, St. Joseph county, for the same purpose;

Also: petition of Abraham H. Voorhies and 51 citizens of Mendon, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

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EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Hazen,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp land by means of a State road from Nunica, in Ottawa county, to Muskegon, in Muskegon county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to aid in the construction of a ship canal from Lake Superior to Lac la Belle, in Keweenaw county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the

drainage and reclamation of swamp land, road and ditches, approved March 15th,

Respectfully report that they have had consideration, and have directed me to report to the House, without amendment, and recommend to pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee on public lands, and the House, of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom referred,

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the sale of the public lands, and to punish whoever cuts or removes the timber therefrom, approved April 12, 1862, and the provisions of said act to private lands.

Respectfully report that they have had consideration, and have directed me to report to the House, without amendment, and recommend to pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Bonine,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom referred,

A bill to provide for the laying out and opening a road, from the head of White Lake, in Newaygo county, to Big Rapids, in Newaygo county,

Respectfully report that they have had consideration, and have directed me to report to the House, without amendment, and recommend to pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of a road, to be known as the further extension of the Mineral Range road, in the county of Ontonagon,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying substitute, recommending that the substitute be concurred in, and that the bill, when so substituted, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing a State road from the head of White Lake, in Muskegon county, to Corbin's mills, in Oceana county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, recommending that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges
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A bill to amend act No. 231, of session
one new section for improving a cer
Ionia counties,

Respectfully report that they have h
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O. H. F

Report accepted and committee disch

On motion of Mr. Fellows,

The House concurred in the amendme
the committee.

The question being upon the passage

The bill was read a third time and
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YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
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Dunlap,

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J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
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Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred Joint resolution asking Congress for a donation of lands for the construction of a telegraph line from some point on the Saginaw river to the Sault Ste. Marie,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROCKWAY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred Joint resolution for the location and establishment of a naval station and dock-yard within the State of Michigan,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,

and ask to be discharged from the further subject.

W. H. BROOK

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed and placed on the calendar of the committee of the whole, and placed on the order of the day.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No. 6, entitled

Joint resolution asking the government for an appropriation of money or land, for the improvement of the channel of Muskegon harbor, in the State of Michigan.

Respectfully report that they have had the resolution under consideration, and have directed me to report the same to the House, without amendment, and recommend its passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROOK

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

Joint resolution to authorize the Commissioner of the General Land Office to deed certain lands to Maria W. Broome.

Respectfully report that they have had the resolution under consideration, and have directed me to report the same to the House, without amendment, and recommend its passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed and placed on the calendar of the committee of the whole, and placed on the order of the day.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

tion from David McConnell and 8 others, of the township of Dorr, Allegan county, asking that a committee may be appointed to appraise certain swamp lands on the school section, in said township of Dorr,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The petition was laid on the table.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred the petition of Ceylon C. Fuller and 23 others, of Mecosta county; also, petition of A. E. Dunbar and 20 others, of Monroe county; also, petition of C. L. Avery and 12 others, of Genesee county; also, petition of Harlow O. Banks and 33 others, of Cass county; also, petition of S. S. Hastings and Chas. E. Cole, of Ottawa county; also, petition of J. F. Miller and 43 others, of Berrien county; also, petition of H. B. Rowson and 19 others, of Hillsdale county; also, petition of A. E. Upton and 19 others, of Newaygo county; also, petition of David H. Miller and 30 others, of Calhoun county,

Would respectfully report, the committee having had under consideration all of the foregoing petitions from different towns and counties, all of which have reference to the same subject, do not deem it advisable or prudent to alter or change the law or rates of such fees, at present. We therefore return the various petitions, and recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The several petitions were laid on the table.
 By the committee on towns and counties,
 The committee on towns and counties, the petition of George W. Kellogg and plat of the village of Hubbardston, in-
 drawn by William Pitt, be set aside, and
 by S. C. Alderman, take the place of the

Respectfully report that they have had
 consideration, and have directed me to report
 to the House, with the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill to vacate the present village
 of Hubbardston, in the county of Ionia, and
 to establish a new plat therefor,

And recommend that it do pass, and
 be taken from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time,
 printed, referred to the committee of the whole,
 and ordered to lie on the table.

By the committee on towns and counties,

The committee on towns and counties, the
 petition of William Johnson and others
 for the separating of certain territory from the county of
 Antrim, and attaching the same to the county of Antisipasi,

Respectfully report that they have had
 consideration, and have directed me to report
 to the House, with the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill to detach certain territory from
 Traverse, and attach the same to the county of

And recommend that it do pass, and
 be taken from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time,

printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred Joint resolution authorizing and directing the Auditor General to credit the county of Marquette with certain sums upon the books of his office, and to charge the county of Menominee therewith,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 56, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the soldiers' relief fund,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 45, entitled

A bill making appropriations to meet the current expenses for the Reform School, for the years 1865 and 1866,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under con-

consideration, and have directed me to report to the House, with the accompanying amendment, that the amendment be concurred in, and so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from consideration of the subject.

A. L.

Report accepted and committee discharged
On motion of Mr. Green,

The House concurred in the amendment and discharged the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee and placed on the general order.

By the committee on mines and minerals,

The committee on mines and minerals, to

A bill to amend section two of an act to authorize the formation of corporations for manufacturing iron, copper, mineral coal, or minerals, and for other manufacturing purposes, passed February 5th, 1853, being section 1800 of the

Respectfully report that they have had the bill under consideration, and have directed me to report to the House, with the accompanying amendment, that the amendment be concurred in, and so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from further consideration of the subject.

G. C. J.

Report accepted and committee discharged
On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The House concurred in the amendment and discharged the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on engrossment and errors,

The committee on engrossment and errors have correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the House the following entitled bills:

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Port Austin, in the county of Huron;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Redford, in the county of Wayne;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Erin, in the county of Macomb, for the year 1864;

Also,

A bill to incorporate the village of Ionia;

Also,

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Oakfield, Kent county, for the year 1864.

JOHN LANDON, *Chairman.*

Report accepted.

By the committee on military affairs:

The committee on military affairs, to whom was referred Senate bill, entitled

A bill to amend act 161, of the session laws of 1863, to provide for the relief, by counties, of the families of volunteers mustered from this State into the military service of the United States, or of this State, approved March 19, 1863, by adding thereto another section,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. J. WOODMAN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of whole, and placed on the general order.

MESSAGE FROM THE

The Speaker announced the follow

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To the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, signed and
of the Secretary of State, the followi

An act to continue in force the prov
act appropriating certain taxes for th
road in the counties of Montcalm a
283, approved February 15th, 1859, a
of said act;

Also,

An act to amend sections 34 and 35
piled laws, relating to the assessing

Also,

An act to authorize Jesse Spalding
the Menominee river, with the Mich
keep and maintain, a dividing boom
in Menominee county, in the State of

Also,

An act to authorize the Forest V
Company to engage in the manufactu

Also,

An act to legalize the tax roll of th
Jackson county, for the year 1864;

Also,

An act to amend section 1 of an ac
section 26, and repeal sections 27, 28
title 29, of the revised statutes of 1
16th, 1857, being section 5658, of con
rates of legal advertising;

Also,

An act to lay out and establish a S
of Mecosta, Osceola and Missaukee,
non-resident highway taxes thereon.

The message was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 87, entitled

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled "An act for the encouragement of agriculture and manufactures, and the mechanic arts," approved March 16th, 1849, being section 1687 of the compiled laws, and to add another section thereto;

2. Senate bill No. 89, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of associations for the encouragement of the fine arts;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 17, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 19, entitled

A bill to provide for proving the resolutions of incorporated cities and

Which the House amended by striking "village," in the sixth and seventh

And to inform the House that the amendments were made in said amendment.

Very respectfully,

Mr. Warner moved to lay the bill on the table.

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House insisted on its amendments.

The Speaker also announced the following

Lansing

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to introduce the following bill:

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the township of Holmes, in the county of

In the passage of which the Senate has taken a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and to take immediate effect by a vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

The bill was referred to the committee on enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following

Lansing

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to introduce the following bill:

Senate bill No. 78; entitled

A bill to provide for the laying out, opening and establishing of a certain State road in the township of Shiawassee, in the county of Shiawassee;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOMAS H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Hawley offered the following:

Resolved, That Senate bill No. 5 and House bill No. 75, be, and hereby are referred to a special committee, to consist of seven members, with instruction as far as possible to harmonize the provisions of said bills, and to construct and report to this House one bill covering the merits of both;

Which was not adopted.

Mr. May gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill for an appropriation of swamp lands to aid in building a bridge across the River Rouge, on the road leading from Detroit to Monroe, in the county of Wayne.

Mr. Pack gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing of a State road in Sanilac county.

Mr. Haire gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to enable school district No. 9, of Scio and Webster, Washtenaw county, to raise the sum of one hundred dollars by tax, which ought to have been levied and collected in the year 1864.

Mr. G. C. Jones moved to take from 70, entitled

A bill imposing a specific tax upon mined companies engaged in the business of mining and refining ores in this State;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being upon concurrence made to the bill by the committee of the whole.

Mr. G. C. Jones moved that the House do pass the bill, with the exception of adding to the end of section one: "*Provided* this act shall be construed to exempt from taxation any estate of more than 160 acres, from which mining is not actually in operation;"

Which was agreed to.

The question recurring on the adoption of the bill, adding the proviso to section one of the act.

It was not agreed to.

Mr. Van Vleet moved that the bill be laid on the table, and placed on the general order.

Which motion was withdrawn.

The bill was then read a third time, and the yeas and nays were taken, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
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Mr. J. H. Jones,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. O'Grady,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Mr. W. T. Smith moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to authorize the legal voters of the village of White Pigeon, in the county of St. Joseph, to organize under the general law for the incorporation of villages, and to alter the boundaries of said village;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. W. T. Smith,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Griswold offered the following:

Resolved, That the special committee of seven, to whom was referred the petitions of sundry persons, asking to be admitted to seats in this body, have until Monday next to prepare and bring in their report;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Carleton, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing a State

road from Ferrysburg, in Ottawa county, to Muskegon Creek, in Muskegon county, and to aid in the construction thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on public land.

Mr. Warner, unanimous consent being given.

A bill to amend an act for the incorporation of companies, and defining their powers as passed February 15, 1859, and an act amendatory thereof, passed March 18, 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on banks and currency.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given.

A bill to attach certain territory to the county of Bay, and to organize the same.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on towns and cities.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given.

A bill to authorize school district No. 1, in the county of Bay, to purchase land.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given.

A bill to provide for the more speedy sale of lands.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on public land.

Mr. Chipman, unanimous consent being given.

A bill to amend section 34, of chapter 10, of the laws relating to real estate.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Utley, unanimous consent being given.

A bill to provide for the drainage of lands, by means of a State road and

the county of Newaygo, to Blodgett's mills, in the county of Osceola.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. M. D. Howard offered the following:

Resolved, That the Auditor General communicate to this House the number of clerks that were employed in the Auditor General's office during the years 1863 and 1864, the names and place of residence of said clerks when appointed, and the amount of money paid to each of said clerks as a compensation for his services in said Auditor General's office;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Maxwell gave notice that he should, on to-morrow, move to reconsider the vote by which House bill No. 70 was passed.

Mr. Gies offered the following:

Resolved, That the Sergeant-at-Arms be, and he is hereby directed to allow no person, other than the members of this House, excepting the reporters of the press, to occupy seats in this Hall provided for the members, or create disturbance by walking about the House, while debates, resolutions, reports or motions, are in course of legislation;

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The resolution was laid on the table.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to authorize the legal voters of the village of White Pigeon, in the county of St. Joseph, to organize under the general law for the incorporation of villages, and to alter the boundaries of said village;

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Warner asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by striking out the word "incorporating," in the fourth line of section one, and inserting the words "the incorporation," in lieu thereof;

On motion of Mr. W. T. Smith,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on corporations.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS

Being the consideration of the following

Whereas, Certain United States bonds are exempt from taxation;

And whereas, The exemption of such bonds favors the accumulation of capital against labor, by favoring the rich at the expense of the poorer, and to perpetuate the power of capital, by building up an immense mass of property which millions pay no revenue to the government, while the masses are oppressed with burdensome taxes;

And whereas, The preference which is given to one species of capital over another, and to one citizen over another, is unjust in its operation, and has a bad tendency, and is, furthermore, contrary to the principle of political economy, that capital should be taxed equally; therefore,

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Senate and House of Representatives are hereby instructed, and our committees are hereby requested, to use all honorable means to amend all acts and parts of acts, by which any class of bonds heretofore, or which may be hereafter issued, is exempted from its just and equal share of taxation;

Resolved, That the Governor be, and he is, authorized to transmit a copy of this preamble and resolution to our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Mr. Brockway moved to lay the resolution on the table. Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Brockway moved to refer the resolution to the committee on ways and means;

Mr. M. D. Howard moved as a substitute that the resolution be referred to a select committee, of which Mr. Look should be chairman;

Mr. Wells moved to amend the substitute

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striking out the word "three," and inserting the word "seven," in lieu thereof;

Which amendment was accepted.

Mr. M. D. Howard then withdrew his substitute for the motion of Mr. Brockway.

The motion of Mr. Brockway to refer the resolution to the committee on ways and means, then prevailed.

The following resolution also came up under the order of "unfinished business:"

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That a select joint committee of five, consisting of three on the part of the House and two on the part of the Senate, be appointed to examine into certain frauds and misdemeanors alleged to have been committed by the Amboy, Lansing and Traverse Bay Railroad Company, and that said committee be requested to report to this Legislature at as early a day as practicable;

Which was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

SPECIAL ORDER,

Being the consideration of concurrent resolutions on the state of the Union.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The concurrent resolutions were recommitted to the committee on federal relations.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House went into the committee of the whole, in consideration of the following bills:

Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit;

And House bill No. 75, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act of the city of Detroit, approved February 18, 1892, passed by Mr. Warner in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee, through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had the honor to report the following entitled bills:

Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit.

Also, House bill No. 75, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to amend an act of the city of Detroit," approved February 18, 1892, passed by Mr. Warner in the chair.

Have made sundry amendments to the bills and report both bills back to the House, asking the House in the amendments made to recommend that said bill do pass, and to suspend the further consideration of both bills.

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Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House concurred in the amendments to the named bill, *in gross*.

Mr. Griswold moved that the bill be read a third time.

Mr. Dort moved to lay the bill on the table.

Which was not agreed to.

The motion of Mr. Griswold was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Warner,

The second named bill was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Look,

The House adjourned until to-morrow.

Lansing, Saturday, February 18, 1865.

The **House met**, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the **Speaker**.

Prayer by **Rev. Mr. Weed**.

Roll called: **quorum** present.

Mr. Gies asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day, on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By **Mr. Hawley**: petition from the President of the Detroit Board of Trade, and 21 other merchants and business men of Detroit, asking for the passage of a law authorizing the stamping of counterfeit, altered and worthless bank bills;

On motion of **Mr. Hawley**,

The petition was laid on the table.

By **Mr. Thomas**: petition of **J. W. Jeralleman** and 85 others, citizens of Litchfield, Hillsdale county, asking for the passage of a law to equalize upon the taxable property of said township, all moneys raised by subscription and loan for paying bounties to fill the quota of said township;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By **Mr. Jewell**: petition of **O. P. Jewell**, supervisor of the township of Solon, in the county of Kent, and 84 other residents of said township, asking for the formation of a new county;

Also: petition of **Morgan Allen**, supervisor of the township of Algoma, and 49 others, for the same purpose;

Also: petition of **John Fuller** and 23 others, residents of the township of Ensley, Newaygo county, for the same purpose;

Also: petition of **C. S. Decon**, supervisor of the township of Spencer, and 36 others, residents of Kent county, for the same purpose;

Also: petition of **N. R. Hill**, supervisor of the township of Nelson, in the county of Kent, and 82 others, residents of said township, for the same purpose;

Also: petition of **Garret Becker** and 36 others, residents of

the township of Courtland, in the county of
purpose;

Also: petition of H. L. Barrett and 10 others, of the township of Tyrone, Kent county, for the same purpose;

Also: petition of Henry M. Carpenter and 55 others, of the township of Pierson, and 55 others, residing in the county of Montcalm, for the same purpose;

Also: petition of Charles Parker, superintendent of the residents of Maple Valley, Montcalm county, for the same purpose;

Also: petition of T. M. Eddy and 15 others, of the township of Winfield, in the county of Montcalm, for the same purpose.

The several petitions were referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Camburn: remonstrance of Edward E. Camburn and other citizens of the townships of Winfield and Maple Valley, in the county of Montcalm, asking for an amendment of the laws to attach said towns to Newaygo county;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. L. Smith: petition of H. L. Smith and others, praying for assistance to aid in constructing a road through Clinton and Gratiot counties;

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

By Mr. Griswold: petition of Edward Griswold and others, asking for an amendment of the laws, in relation to certain duties and powers of the surveyors;

Referred to the committee on State and territorial affairs.

By Mr. Ball: petition of W. Truesdell and others, asking for a revision of the laws in relation to the townships of China and Elgin, in the county of Clair;

Mr. Carleton moved to lay the petition on the table.

Which motion did not prevail.

The petition was then referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Haire: petition of E. Clark and 18 other citizens of Washtenaw county, asking for an increase of county registers' fees;

Referred to the committee on State affairs.

By Mr. Woodman: petition of Alonzo Sherman, Thomas L. Stevens and 94 other citizens of Van Buren county, asking for the passage of an act to aid in extending the St. Joseph Valley, Schoolcraft and Three Rivers Railroad to some point on Grand river, by enabling the several townships in the counties of Kalamazoo, Van Buren, Allegan and Ottawa, through which such road may be located, to raise money for the construction of the same;

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

By Mr. Fellows: petition of M. R. Cobb, E. B. Dyckman, W. H. Fox and 40 other citizens of the county of Kalamazoo, would respectfully represent, that as it is in contemplation to extend the St. Joseph Valley and the Schoolcraft and Three Rivers Railroad to some point on the Grand river, therefore your petitioners request your honorable bodies to enact a law authorizing the several townships of the counties of Kalamazoo, Van Buren, Allegan, Kent and Ottawa to aid in the construction thereof;

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, having had under consideration the subject of providing means to pay the bounties contemplated by House bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military or naval service of the United States,

Here with report a bill, entitled

A bill authorizing a war bounty loan,

And ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second
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By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom

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By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom

A bill to authorize school district No.
Bay county, to issue bonds,

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By the committee on harbors:

The committee on harbors, to whom w
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be referred to the committee on public lands, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

• SAM'L W. YAWKEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The House concurred in the recommendation of the committee, and the petition was referred to the committee on public lands.

By the committee on agriculture and manufactures:

The committee on agriculture and manufactures, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 37, being

A bill to amend section one of an act entitled an act for the encouragement of agriculture, manufactures and the mechanic arts, approved March 16th, 1849, being section 1687 of the compiled laws, and to add another section thereto,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

GEO. LUTHER, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on rules and joint rules:

The committee on rules and joint rules, to whom was referred a resolution instructing them to inquire into and report to this House the propriety of so amending rule five of the House, as to make it conform to section ten, of article four, of the Constitution,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and are unanimously of the opinion that said rule should be so amended. Your committee do therefore report the accompanying substitute for said fifth rule of the House, as follows:

"RULE 5. The yeas and nays of the members of the House, on any question, shall be entered on the journal at the request of one-fifth of the members elected;"

Recommend that it be adopted, and
from the further consideration of the subject.
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Report accepted and committee discharged.
Mr. Maxwell moved to refer the report to the judiciary;

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The report was laid on the table.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, submitted two concurrent resolutions on the

Respectfully report that they have had consideration, and have directed me to report to the House, with the accompanying amendments that the amendments be concurred in, as originally reported by the majority of this committee, amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROCK

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the amendments and concurrent resolutions by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The concurrent resolutions were made Thursday evening next.

By the committee on banks and incorporation:

The committee on banks and incorporation recommended House bill No. 145, entitled

A bill to authorize the legal voters of the village of Pigeon, in the county of St. Joseph, to organize laws for the incorporation of village boundaries of said village,

Respectfully report that they have had consideration, and have directed me to report to the House, with the accompanying amendments.

that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on banks and incorporations :

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 39, entitled

A bill to provide for the incorporation of associations for the encouragement of the fine arts,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was re-committed House joint resolution No. 11, entitled

Joint resolution in relation to the Detroit and Milwaukee Railway, so called,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and that they find the following state of facts bearing on the subject:

1. The Detroit and Pontiac Railroad Company was chartered March 7, 1834. [See session laws of 1834, page 40.]

2. The Oakland and Ottawa Company was chartered April 3, 1848. [See session laws of 1848, page 351.]

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The papers accompanying the report were ordered printed in the journal.

The following are the accompanying papers:

Know all Men by these Presents, That we, Thomas Reynolds, Esq., of the city of Hamilton, in the Province of Upper Canada, and William Gray, of the city of Detroit, in the State of Michigan, do hereby solemnly declare as follows, viz:

That under and in pursuance of a decree of the Circuit Court of the United States for the seventh judicial circuit and district of Michigan, made and entered in a certain cause therein pending, wherein Charles J. Brydges, Thomas Reynolds and Henry C. R. Beecher, were complainants, and the Detroit & Milwaukie Railway company was defendant, for the purpose of foreclosing two certain mortgages executed to said complainants by said defendant, upon all the property and franchises of the said The Detroit and Milwaukee Railway company, the railway track of the said defendant, (which is a railway corporation,) and its appurtenances, were sold at public sale, by a master of said court, at the office of the secretary of said company, in said city of Detroit, on the fourth day of October, A. D. one thousand eight hundred and sixty.

That at such sale we, the said Thomas Reynolds and William Gray, became the purchasers of the track and appurtenances, and the property and franchises of said company; and having so become such purchasers, that we are now desirous of continuing to perform the duties, and of enjoying the franchises and immunities of the said railway corporation. That we have provided the means for continuing the same, and for performing said duties and enjoying said franchises and immunities. That we have provided suitable equipments for running said road, and performing in all respects the duties to the public, incurred by law upon said corporation.

That the name by which we desire said corporation to be hereafter called, is the "Detroit and Milwaukee Railroad Company;" and further, that we have transferred again to said corporation its railway track and appurtenances, and all and sin-

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report of the sale of the said mortgaged premises, property and franchises, showing that said mortgaged premises, property and franchises, were sold by the said Master on the fourth day of October last, to Thomas Reynolds and William Gray, as trustees for the third and fourth mortgage bond-holders of the said Detroit and Milwaukee Railway Company, and in trust for them, for the sum of one million of dollars, and that there is still due to the said complainants under said decree, the sum of five hundred and fifty-eight thousand two hundred and fifty-two dollars and thirty-two cents, on the said fourth day of October, instant; and it appearing to the court from the stipulation of the solicitors for the said complainants and the said defendants, that said defendants have no grounds for any exceptions to the said report, and that it is for the interest of all parties, that said sale and report should be confirmed; and said defendants by said stipulation waving all rights under rule eighty-three of this court, and consenting that on this said report may be confirmed: on motion of said complainants, by William Gray, their solicitor, it is ordered that said report of sale, by the Master in Chancery of the said mortgaged premises, property and franchises be, and the same is now by the court here, in all things ratified and confirmed.

We hereby certify that the foregoing is the paper marked "A" referred to in the declaration hereto annexed, which is signed and verified by us.

THOMAS REYNOLDS,
WM. GRAY.

Mr. Munger moved that the joint resolution be referred to the committee of the whole and placed on the general order;

Mr. Brockway moved to lay the joint resolution on the table;
Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Munger withdrew his motion, to refer the joint resolution to the committee of the whole, and moved that the joint resolution be referred to a select committee of three;

Mr. Van Vleet moved to amend the motion by striking out "three," and inserting "five" in lieu thereof;

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An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Redford, in the county of Wayne;

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An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Erin, in the county of Macomb, for the year 1864;

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An act to incorporate the village of Ionia.

HENRY H. CRAPO.

The message was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 66, entitled

A bill to provide for connecting the Duncan, Alpena and Sauble River State road with the East Saginaw and Sauble River State road;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

HENRY S. SLEEPER,

Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 14, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bills:

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Which was adopted.

Mr. Woodman moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of the following entitled bills:

House bill No. 108, entitled

A bill to prevent the swindling of persons enlisting into the military or naval service of the United States, or of this State, and to make such offenses felony, and to punish the use of certain means to procure enlistments;

Also, House bill No. 105, entitled

A bill to punish the recruiting of men for the volunteer service of other States;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The bills were placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Boies gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to appropriate certain swamp lands for the building and improvement of the Meridian line road from the corporation line of the village of Hudson to the State line between Ohio and Michigan.

Mr. Dort gave notice that on some future day he would ask leave to introduce

A bill to divide the county of Wayne, and organize a new county of the twelve western townships, under the name of Washington county.

Mr. Phillips moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of Senate bill No. 88, entitled

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Mr. Landon, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the electors of the township of Sandstone, Jackson county, in raising bounties for volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Van Vleet, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend act No. 135, of session laws of 1863, being an act entitled "an act to amend section 1014, of compiled laws, in relation to the duties of commissioners of highways," approved February 14, 1859.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Van Vleet, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for assessing State swamp lands in certain cases, and to provide for selling or disposing of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Pack, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing of a State road in Sanilac county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. G. C. Jones, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend sections 9, 11 and 17, of an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the formation of companies to construct canals or harbors, and improve the same, approved March 20, 1863.

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The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Cobb, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to distribute the amount received for the tax upon dogs, for the year 1864, among the several schools districts where the same was collected.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Carleton, unanimous consent being given, introduced

Joint resolution asking the Government of the United States for an appropriation of money for the improvement of the harbor of White river, in Muskegon county, and also for the building of a light house at the same place.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Griswold, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of a road to be known as the Ada and Big Rapids State road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Winsor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the payment of State road contracts in the county of Huron.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Warner, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Presbyterian churches.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Stewart, unanimous consent being given, introduced

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And also, a resolution relative to ascertaining and reporting to this House whether the persons controlling, operating and claiming to own the Detroit and Milwaukee Railway, are an incorporated company, under the laws of this State.

The House resumed business under the order of

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS,

Being the consideration of Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit.

The question being upon the motion of Mr. Dort to recommit the bill to the committee on the judiciary, with instructions to so amend the same that none of its provisions shall apply to any of the townships in Wayne county, except the service of warrants for search, or arrests;

The motion prevailed.

Mr. Brockway moved that the committee be instructed to report as soon as practicable;

Which motion prevailed.

Senate bill No. 38, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Owosso," approved February 15, 1859,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,

Mr. M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,

Mr. Rowe,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wells,

Colwell,
Dort,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Griswold,
Hawley,
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Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,

Forbes,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,
Hazen,
Horton,

Pack,
Packard,
Phillips.
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,

NAYS.

Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 108, entitled

A bill to prevent the swindling of persons enlisting into the military or naval service of the United States, or of this State, and to make such offenses felony, and to punish the use of certain means to procure enlistments,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Griswold,

Mr. Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Nowland,
Osborn,
Pack,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,

Haire,
Hawley,
Hazen,

Packard,
Phillips,

Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 105, entitled

A bill to punish the recruiting of men for the volunteer service of other States,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The bill was laid on the table.

The committee on the judiciary submitted the following report:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was recommitted Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit,

With instructions to amend the same, so that its provisions shall not extend to any of the townships of the county of Wayne, except to searches and service of criminal warrants,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the amendments required by the instructions, asking the concurrence of the House therein, and recommend that when so amended, the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The question being upon the passage of the bill,

Pending the third reading thereof,

Mr. Brockway moved that there be a call of the House;
Which motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE CALL.

The roll of the House was called by the Clerk, and the following members were reported absent without leave: Messrs. **Bonine**, **Copley**, **Jewell**, **Laing**, **Landon**, **McKay**, **Newcomb**, **Nixon**, **O'Grady**, **Welch**, **Wells**, **Wilcox** and **Woodward**.

On motion of **Mr. Brockway**,

Mr. Wells was admitted within the bar of the House, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

Mr. Willits moved that **Mr. Jewell** be excused for non-attendance until Monday next;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Maxwell asked and obtained leave of absence for **Mr. O'Grady**, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Hawley moved that **Mr. Welch** be excused for non-attendance for the day;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Osborn asked and obtained leave of absence for **Mr. Wilcox**, on account of sickness.

On motion of **Mr. Phillips**,

Mr. Laing was admitted within the bar of the House, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

Mr. Boies moved that all further proceedings under the call be dispensed with;

Which motion did not prevail.

On motion of **Mr. Brockway**,

The Sergeant-at-Arms was dispatched after the absentees.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced **Mr. Welch** at the bar of the House;

On motion of **Mr. Winsor**,

Mr. Welch was admitted within the bar of the House, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced **Mr. Landon** at the bar of the House;

On motion of **Mr. Woodman**,

Mr. Landon was admitted within the bar of the House, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Newcomb at the bar of the House;

On motion of Mr. Ball,

Mr. Newcomb was admitted within the bar of the House, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. W. T. Smith at the bar of the House;

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

Mr. W. T. Smith was admitted within the bar of the House, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Messrs. Bonine and McKay at the bar of the House;

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

Messrs. Bonine and McKay were admitted within the bar of the House, rendered excuses, and took their seats.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that all further proceedings under the call be dispensed with;

Which motion was withdrawn.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Woodward at the bar of the House;

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

Mr. Woodward was admitted within the bar of the House, rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The bill, being Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of Detroit,

Was then read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,

Mr. Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,

Mr. Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,

Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Hazen,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,

Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallary,
McKay,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,

W. T. Smith,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,
Bond,
Cady,
Chipman,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dussean,
Forbes,

Mr. Haire,
Hawley,
Morton,
M. D. Howard,
Look,
Maxwell,
May,

Mr. McKernan,
Morton,
Nowland,
Pitts,
Stewart,
Wells,
Wendell,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The House adjourned until Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Monday, February 20, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Burgess.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Boies asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Wilcox, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Wendell: petition of Amiable Goodrean, Oliver Martineau and 40 others of Mackinac county, praying for an amendment to the fishing law;

Also: remonstrance of Moses W. Horne, Charles Brannack, S. Macoit and 99 other citizens of Oheboygan county, against any act injurious to the fishing interest;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

By Mr. Camburn: petition of E. R. Ferguson and 123 others, in relation to a State road in the county of Montcalm, and to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes for the construction of the same;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. M. D. Howard: memorial of Phillip Phelps, Jr., and O. VanderKeen, committee of the Reformed Church;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Laing: petition of F. McClintock, H. P. Dodge, R. G. McKee and 21 others, asking the appropriation of non-resident highway tax, to build a bridge;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Jenness: petition of Lorenzo Burton, Wm. Y. Mead, and 16 others, citizens of the township of Arcadia, Lapeer county, asking the Legislature to legalize the action of said township in issuing its bonds and orders to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Maxwell: petition of Thomas Stevenson and 60 others, citizens of Bay county, asking an appropriation of swamp lands, for the construction of a State road from Portsmouth Ferry to the Bay City and Tuscola plank road;

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Green: memorial of the board of Supervisors of Eaton county, asking that the State and local bounties be paid to persons furnishing substitutes before a draft, and also to per-

sons who, having been drafted, shall enlist to the credit of the sub-district from which they were drafted;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Presbyterian churches,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to repeal sections 23 and 24, of chapter 68, of the compiled laws, relating to churches and religious societies,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred the memorial and petition of the heirs of Edward D. Ellis, have had the subject under serious and protracted considera-

tion. The memorialists ask for damages by reason of the non-fulfillment on the part of the State, of a contract entered into between the State and the said Edward D. Ellis and William H. H. Briggs, on the 7th day of Feb., 1843. By the terms of the contract, the said Ellis and Briggs agreed, for a stipulated price, "to do all the printing that shall be required by the Legislature of Michigan to be done in 1843." The claimants come forward with proof to show that a portion of the printing of the State, which belonged to the said Ellis and Briggs, under the terms of the contract, as they aver, was given to other parties. There is some ambiguity in the terms of the contract, whether designedly or not your committee have no means of determining. But the record of the debates, and the violent agitation of the subject of the State printing at the time at which the contract was made, and also subsequent developments, as appear on the record, and by other testimony, lead your committee to the conclusion that perhaps injustice may have been done to the said Ellis and Briggs. It appears that the said Briggs assigned his interest in the claim to the said Ellis, who soon after died; the widow not being in circumstances, or a suitable person, to attend to a matter of this kind, hence the delay.

The committee have instructed me to report that in their judgment it is a case, both on account of its surroundings and attendant circumstances, and also on account of the merit which it may have, that should be investigated. Therefore, the committee report the following joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution relative to the settlement of a claim of the heirs of Edward D. Ellis,

And ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman*:

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to provide for the improvement of that portion of the Port Huron, Bay City and Clinton State road, which lies between Bay City and Midland City,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on harbors:

The committee on harbors, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend section 4 of an act entitled an act to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, in township 6 north, of range 14 and 15 west, and to aid the township of Holland in the improvement of the harbor at the mouth of North Black River, in said township, approved January 29, 1863,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

SAM'L W. YAWKEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on harbors:

The committee on harbors, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 44, entitled

A bill to amend section 4, of an act entitled an act to provide

for the preservation of the Muskegon river in
to authorize tolls for the same, approved January

Respectfully report that they have had the
sideration, and have directed me to report the
House, without amendment, and recommend
and ask to be discharged from the further con-
subject.

SAM'L W. YAWKI

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to
of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom

1. Senate bill No. 69, entitled

A bill to abolish the office of District Attorney
Peninsula;

Also,

2. Senate bill No 58, entitled

A bill to provide for the appointment of
ried women, in certain cases;

Also,

3. Senate bill No. 73, entitled

A bill to amend sections 29, 34 and 41, c
the compiled laws, relative to actions of repl

Also,

4. A bill to authorize the several towns
ties of Ingham, Clinton, Eaton and Ionia,
credit, and the county of Ionia to raise
money, to aid in the construction of a railroad
of Ionia, in the county of Ionia, to the city
county of Ingham;

Also,

5. A bill to amend section 3, of chapter 4
laws, and to add at the end of said chapter a

Also,

6. A bill to change the name of George

Also,

7. A bill to amend section 34, of chapter 90, of the compiled laws, relating to real estate,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, recommending that the bills do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The first, second and third named bills were referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

The fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh named bills were ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was re-committed House joint resolution No. 9, entitled

Joint resolution to secure the repeal or modification of the passport system,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROCKWAY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The question being upon the passage of the joint resolution,

The joint resolution was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,

Mr. Haire,
Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,

Mr. Munger,
Newcomb,
Nowland,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,

Boies,	J. H. Jones,	P
Bond,	G. O. Jones,	R
Bonine,	Keeler,	R
Brockway,	Kenney,	S
Cady,	Laing,	S
Camburn,	Landon,	S
Carleton,	Lapham,	V
Chipman,	Lock,	V
Cobb,	Luther,	V
Colwell,	Mallary,	V
Copley,	May,	V
Dort,	McKernan,	V
Dussean,	Mickley,	V
Fisher,	Miles,	V
Forbes,	Monroe,	V
Graham,	Morton,	V
Green,		

NAYS.

Mr. Beach,	Mr. Sanderson,	Mr. T
Dunlap,	Seymour,	T
Fellows,	L. Smith,	U
Maxwell,	W. T. Smith,	V
McKay,	Stewart,	Y
Osborn,	Taylor,	S
Runyan,		

Title and preamble agreed to.

Mr. Luther moved to reconsider the vote by which the joint resolution;

On Motion of Mr. Miles,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

By the special committee on contested seats:

The special committee, to whom was referred Solomon L. Bignall, to be admitted to the seat now occupied by William Ball, as Representative of Livingston county, together with several others asking for seats in this House, respecting which they have had the same under consideration, and upon examination of the several petitions and supporting papers, that in every case the petitioner has a seat upon the ground, that the votes of soldiers

cast under, and by virtue of an act of the last Legislature, entitled "an act to enable the qualified electors of this State, in the military service, to vote at certain elections," &c., should be rejected in deciding who was duly elected members of this House, and most of the petitions refer to, and hold as binding upon this body, a recent decision of the Supreme Court, holding the law above mentioned to be unconstitutional and void.

In deciding the question thus raised by the petitions, it will be seen at once, that it will be necessary for this House in the first place, to ascertain, judge and settle definitely, its own powers and privileges under the Constitution upon a question of this kind, and in doing so it will also be necessary to definitely settle the question whether those powers and privileges are to be exercised absolutely and independently, or whether they are to be exercised in subordination and obedience to rules and decrees laid down by another department of the State Government. The decision of this question is one of momentous importance, and reaches the very foundation and theory of the government. If the different departments of the government, as established by the Constitution, are not absolutely independent of each other in their respective spheres, it is of the greatest importance to know in which department the ultimate sovereignty is lodged. They are questions which call for the exercise of all the wisdom, statesmanship and candor we possess. Your committee express the sincere hope that this body will approach the investigation and decision of these questions in a spirit of candor, integrity and firmness equal to the importance of the subject.

In the very outset of the investigation we must turn to that high and sacred authority, which must guide alike, the Judiciary, the Executive, the Legislature and the citizen—the Constitution of the State, as ordained by the people. Here we must look for the powers of the Government, and for their division among its different departments.

Art. 3 of the Constitution creates three separate departments, divides the powers of the Government among them,

Mr. Landon was admitted within the bar of
dered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Newcomb
the House;

On motion of Mr. Ball,

Mr. Newcomb was admitted within the bar of
dered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. W. T. S.
of the House;

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

Mr. W. T. Smith was admitted within the bar
rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Messrs. Bonine
at the bar of the House;

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

Messrs. Bonine and McKay were admitted within
the House, rendered excuses, and took their seat.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that all further proceedings
the call be dispensed with;

Which motion was withdrawn.

The Sergeant-at-Arms announced Mr. Woodward
of the House;

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

Mr. Woodward was admitted within the bar
rendered an excuse, and took his seat.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

The bill, being Senate bill No. 5, entitled

A bill to establish a police government for the city of St. Louis,

Was then read a third time and passed,
all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas as
follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Keeler,	Mr. Se
A. Allen,	Kenney,	St
G. W. Allen,	Laing,	St
Bayley,	Landon,	St

Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Hazen,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,

Lapham,
Lewis,
Luther,
Mallory,
McKay,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,

W. T. Smith,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Utleigh,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,
Bond,
Cady,
Chipman,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dussean,
Forbes,

Mr. Haire,
Hawley,
Morton,
M. D. Howard,
Look,
Maxwell,
May,

Mr. McKernan,
Morton,
Nowland,
Pitts,
Stewart,
Wells,
Wendell,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The House adjourned until Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Monday, February 20, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Burgess.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Mr. Wilcox.

Mr. Boies asked and obtained leave of absence, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Wendell: petition of Amiable Goodtineau and 40 others of Mackinac county, prayer to the fishing law;

Also: remonstrance of Moses W. Horne, C. S. Macoit and 99 other citizens of Cheboygan any act injurious to the fishing interest;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

By Mr. Camburn: petition of E. R. Ferguson in relation to a State road in the county of . appropriate certain non-resident highway to construction of the same;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. M. D. Howard: memorial of Phillip VanderKeen, committee of the Reformed Church.

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Laing: petition of F. McClintock, E. McKee and 21 others, asking the appropriate highway tax, to build a bridge;

Referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

By Mr. Jenness: petition of Lorenzo Burt and 16 others, citizens of the township of county, asking the Legislature to legalize the township in issuing its bonds and orders to vote.

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Maxwell: petition of Thomas Stevens, citizens of Bay county, asking an appropriation of public lands, for the construction of a State road from Ferry to the Bay City and Tuscola plank road.

Referred to the committee on public lands.

By Mr. Green: memorial of the board of Supervisors of county, asking that the State and local bond persons furnishing substitutes before a draft.

sons who, having been drafted, shall enlist to the credit of the sub-district from which they were drafted;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the incorporation of Presbyterian churches,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to repeal sections 23 and 24, of chapter 68, of the compiled laws, relating to churches and religious societies,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred the memorial and petition of the heirs of Edward D. Ellis, have had the subject under serious and protracted considera-

In the discussion in the House of Representatives, in 1844, as to the constitutionality of a prescribing that members should be elected in districts in the several States, and not by general power and authority of each House of Congress, as to qualifications and elections of its members, several eminent lawyers of both political parties.

The question involved the seats of the representatives of States who had elected members by general ticket. Mr. Belser, of Alabama, (Appendix vol. 13, page 120,) he uses the following language:

"The constitution also having declared that the House shall be the judge of the elections, returns and qualifications of its own members, this House was now organized as a judicial tribunal, for the purpose of determining the constitutionality of the law of Congress, declared by the majority of the House to be *no law*; and to see whether or not those elected on a general ticket are its proper members; and according to the former practice of England and America, this power has always been vested in the legislative body.

In speaking on the same subject, Mr. Van Buren, of New York, uses the following language:

"This (said Mr. B.) is the principle which governs all cases arising under the constitution, and is now to be decided by the House. I have made, that although the courts may disagree on account of its repugnance, or want of conformity to the constitution, yet it cannot be done by the House. (said Mr. B.) if this distinction can be maintained."

"We sit here as judges; as judges with full power is ample, and our decision conclusive. The constitution is explicit: 'Each House shall be the judge of the elections, returns and qualifications of its members.' [Sec. 5.] This House, then, is the judge, and the Senate are the judges of the elections of its members. They determine who are elected, and thus become members."

authority, and it is its duty, to pass upon all questions involved in that inquiry. The validity of the laws under which the elections were formerly held, as well as the number and legality of the votes given for the respective candidates, are directly and necessarily involved in the decision, and must be passed upon by the House. The inquiry covers a broad field; but the power of the House is equally broad and comprehensive. It is impossible to 'judge of the elections' in the four States which proceeded by general ticket, without passing upon the constitutionality of the enactment of the last Congress on that subject. Turn as we may to avoid the question, and it still meets us and obstructs our path. We cannot escape it; the House must pass upon it, and therefore has an undoubted right to do so. On this subject it has all the power of a court; its jurisdiction is as complete, and as little to be questioned, as is that of the Supreme Court, now sitting at the other extremity of the Capitol, over its appropriate judicial subjects, under the constitution." [See page 134, Vol. 13, Appendix Cong. Globe.]

Mr. Stephens, of Georgia, of opposite politics to Mr. Beardsley, and who regarded the elections in violation of the law of Congress, [see page 197, same vol.,] used the following language:

"There is, Mr. Speaker, another particular, also, in which I do not agree with the gentlemen from Mississippi. He says that if he believed the second section of the apportionment act to be constitutional, he would not consent, coming as he does from a State electing by general ticket, to hold his seat in this House. Now, sir, I come from a State electing in the same way, and I believe the section of the act alluded to, and now under consideration, to be a constitutional law; and that it ought to be considered as operative and valid, touching the elections of members, in the organization of this House. Entertaining these opinions, I have been asked how I could consistently retain my seat as a member of this body, sworn, as I am, to support the constitution. My answer is, that I submit

the question to this House, the constitution decision."

Speaking further on the subject, not in direct answer to the above, he uses the following language:

"Is a man to be deprived of his rights by the decision of the Court as to the proper form of action? Or, are a people to be disfranchised because of the decision of this House, as to the proper and legal form of action? When a man is sworn to support a Constitution, and he votes for its own amendment, I hold he is bound to support an amendment, when made in pursuance of the original Constitution; and he is not bound to support a Constitution which provides a remedy for the amendment of any class of cases arising under the Constitution. If of opinion may prevail, he is as much bound by the decision of such tribunal when made, and until reversed, in any case so arising, as he is bound by his own opinions in relation to the Constitution. Sir, is one of the first principles of all social obligation of every individual implied when he enters into the service of government, or takes the oath of office? Should there be a tribunal to decide such questions? Should there be acquiescence to the decision, when made? Should he be regarded, in every sense of propriety, as bound by the decision politically and morally?"

"Sir, without this rule, there could be no government; but every man would set up his own opinion as a much less safe guide, his own conscience as a guide to his own acts; and the most lawless anarchy would be the result."

"Why, sir, suppose the resolutions upon the subject of the election of the sitting members from the four great tickets, be declared by a vote of the House to be duly elected, and your legislation proceeding upon the constitutionality of the acts passed by this Congress, and the courts of the country upon the subject of the election, during the session, some law be passed, and

votes of those members whose right to seats is now under consideration, making certain acts criminal, and subject to severe punishment; and hereafter, some individual, charged with a violation of that law, should raise the question of constitutionality, and insist, by way of defense, that it was no law, not having been passed by a Congress constitutionally organized; would his plea avail him anything? or would it be entertained by any court? Would not every judge be bound by the settlement of that question by this House, to whom it has, by the Constitution, been wisely and exclusively committed? I apprehend that he would, sir; and that, too, notwithstanding his own opinion might be opposed to that of a majority of this House, upon the question now before it. The judge would be shielded with the consciousness that, if the Constitution were violated, it would not be by his decision; and so, sir, with me; if a constitutional law, in the decision of this question be disregarded, it will not be by my vote or influence. But as I am sworn to support and defend that instrument, I do so to-day, and to the utmost of my ability; and if I fail in inducing this House to agree with me in opinion upon this question, I must yield my own to the opinions of the majority of those whose province it is to decide it. Neither am I unsupported by the ablest authority in the correctness of my position."

These extracts show conclusively, that the House of Representatives of the United States, in deciding questions of the nature of those we now have under consideration, held that it acted in a judicial capacity, that it had the power and that it was its duty, to pass upon the constitutionality of an act of Congress, and that from its decision there was no appeal.

The position taken by President Andrew Jackson, in his celebrated message, vetoing the act of Congress to establish the United States Bank, as a correct exposition of the independent powers of the coördinate branches of the Government, has never been successfully controverted. His political opponents questioned his right to exercise the power assumed in vetoing that law, for the reason, as they claimed, that he refused to fol-

low established precedent by all the departments; the executive, legislative and judicial was a long series of precedents established by the departments of the Government, and the people quiesced in by the people. The language used, as used in his message, is as follows:

"If the opinion of the Supreme Court be the ground of this act, it ought not to control the authorities of this government. The Congress and the Court, must each for itself be guided by the Constitution. Each public officer who supports the Constitution, swears that he will understand it, and not as it is understood by much the duty of the House of Representatives and of the President to decide upon the constitutionality of a bill or resolution which may be presented for approval, as it is of the Supreme Judges brought before them for judicial decision. The Supreme Judges has no more authority over Congress than Congress has over the Judges, and on the President is independent of both. The authority of the Court must not, therefore, be permitted to overrule the Executive, when acting in their proper sphere, but to have only such influence as the form of government may deserve." *Statesman's Manual*, vol. 2,

President Jackson acted upon the principle, and the nation sustained him.

Thomas Jefferson, speaking upon the subject to Judge Roane, dated September 6, 1819, used the following language:

"In denying the right they usurp, in the Constitution, I go further than you. In your rightly your quotation from the Federalist, 'the judiciary is the last resort in relation to the departments of the government, but not in relation to the parties to the compact under which the

If this opinion be sound, then indeed is our Constitution a complete *felo de se*, for intending to establish three departments coördinate and independent, that they might check and balance one another, it has given, according to this opinion, to one of them alone the right to prescribe rules for the government of the others. The Constitution, on this hypothesis, is a mere thing of wax in the hands of the judiciary, which they may twist and shape into any form they please. It should be remembered as an eternal truth in politics, that whatever power in any government is independent, is absolute also—in theory only at first, while the spirit of the people is up, but in practice as fast as that relaxes.

“Independence can be trusted nowhere but with the people in mass. My construction of the Constitution is very different from that you quote. It is that each department is truly independent of the others, and has an equal right to decide for itself what is the meaning of the Constitution in the cases submitted to its action, and especially where it is to act ultimately and without appeal.”

This doctrine pervades the writings of Thomas Jefferson, in relation to the powers vested in the coördinate department of the government by the constitution of the United States. You will find the same principle contained in the foregoing quotation, maintained in his letter to Mr. Jarvis, dated, Sept. 20, 1821; in his letter to Mr. C. Hammond, dated, Aug. 18, 1821; in his letter to Judge Johnson, dated, March 4, 1820; and in his letter, dated, June 11, 1815, to Mr. W. H. Torrence.

In discussing the relative powers of the coördinate branches of the government, John Randolph, of Roanoke, resisting the claim that the Supreme Court was authorized to dictate to the other departments of the government when acting within their constitutional spheres of action, said: “In their inquisitorial capacity, relieved from the tedious labor of investigating judicial points, by the law of the last session, may easily direct the Executive by a mandamus, in what mode it is their pleasure, that he should exercise his functions; they will also have

more leisure to attend to the Legislature, and inflammatory pamphlets, their decisions on all tions; whilst for the amusement of the public the right of debating, but not of voting." Cong., 1801-2, pages 661 and 662.)

We have thus given the view taken upon this legislative department of the federal government of the most distinguished of the earlier state public. We have also given the views of the most and able commentators this country has produced, Chancellor Kent, and Justice Story. They all agreeing the question of membership, the powers of the body are plenary and absolute. The opinions of Kent and Justice Story are, in this connection, of great weight. The fact that they were for years exercising the powers of the judicial department, must preclude all suspicion that they would or unnecessarily yield to another department the powers legitimately belonging to their own.

We now present, for the consideration of the opinion of the highest court of the State of New York, a court of error, given directly upon the question of the legislative body, in deciding upon the qualifications of members, should in construing the Constitution, or in the opinion of the court, the ruling of the latter would be final. The court was composed of the Chancellor, the Chief Justice, the Supreme Court, and the Senate of the State, of last resort. The legislative and judicial departments were represented in it. It was composed of men of high ability and national reputation, and we may say that the question was definitely and permanently decided. The opinion was delivered by Chancellor Sandford, vol., Cowan's Rep., *The People vs. Jacob B. Van Dyke*, follows:

"Each House of the Legislature is the judge of its own members; and it is said that the

Constitution is infringed by the disqualification in question. The sense of this provision is, that each House shall decide upon the qualifications of its own members, without interference or control from any other authority; but this part of the Constitution does not define any qualification which shall be allowed or required by either House. The only qualification made requisite by the Constitution, for a Senator, is that he shall be a freeholder; and in respect to members of the Assembly, no qualification whatever is required by the Constitution. Whether the Legislature can exclude from public trusts, any person not excluded by the express rules of the Constitution, is the question which I have already examined, and, according to my views of that question, there may be an exclusion by law, in punishment for crime; but in no other manner, and for no other cause. If, then, a disqualification for crime is constitutional, each House of the Legislature, bound to support the Constitution, would give effect to the disqualification. But as the authority of each House is exclusive and supreme in all questions concerning the qualifications of its own members, if either House shall consider such disqualification unconstitutional, or for any reason whatever, shall disregard it, the opinion of the House would prevail, in respect to the seat and rights of any member declared ineligible by the courts. The disqualification pronounced by the courts would then fail to produce an exclusion from the Legislature; but it would, nevertheless, be effectual to exclude from all other public stations. Its effect, in respect to all other public employments, must be decided by the tribunals of justice. Thus, the same question must, for different objects, receive decisions from different jurisdictions; and under one constitution, and one system of laws, the same decision may be expected from all the public authorities. But if the Senate or Assembly on one side, and the Courts of Justice on the other, should make opposite decisions respecting such a disqualification, both decisions would prevail in different respects. The power of each House of the Legislature, to judge of the quali-

fications of its own members, does not determine or illustrate what is or is not a qualification; the statute to suppress dueling does not propose to deprive, nor can any law deprive, the several Houses of the Legislature of their exclusive jurisdiction; and this part of the Constitution is, therefore, not infringed by the judgment of disqualification now in question."

There is no evading the pertinency and directness of the above decision to the case in hand. The powers of each department are supreme, and their decisions, if opposed to each other, "would prevail, in different respects."

If your committee have come to a correct conclusion in relation to the judicial power and authority conferred upon each House of the Legislature, to determine the right of membership, it becomes important to inquire into the facts and circumstances connected with the cases of contested seats in this body, and to determine whether the questions involved have been presented, and judgment rendered in the premises. A judgment is defined to be the decision or sentence of the law, given by a court of justice or other competent tribunal. Within this definition of a judgment, the cases of members, whose election depended upon the soldiers' vote under the law in question, have been decided. Of this, in the opinion of your committee, there can be no question. No person becomes a member of the House of Representatives until the organization of that body, in the mode prescribed by law. Having obtained his certificate of election, he must present himself at the time and place of meeting, and go through with the forms prescribed preliminary to his taking his seat. When a quorum of members is thus collected, they become a judicial body for the purpose of declaring the law of membership to that body, which law, of course, must or should be general in its application to all. At the commencement of the present session, it appeared, by some of the certificates held by members, and petitions presented by contestants claiming seats, that the only ground on which seats were contested was, that the law authorizing soldiers to vote when personally absent from the township in which

they resided, had been enacted by the Legislature in violation of the Constitution of this State. This was the direct question and only question presented for the House to pass upon.

This House, in its judgment and decision, passed fully upon that question, and did judicially determine and declare, that said law, entitled "an act to enable the qualified electors of this State, in the military service, to vote at certain elections," &c., was a valid law, and that the same was not in violation of the Constitution. Under and by virtue of said judgment and decision, the rights of membership became vested in all those whose elections depended upon the votes cast under and by virtue of said law. And in the opinion of your committee, the question has become *res adjudicata*, and should be adhered to by this legislative body, with even more tenacity than is exhibited by courts of law in adhering to their judicial judgments and determinations.

Your committee would regard it as a dangerous and unjustifiable exercise of power on the part of this body, to revoke and set aside said judgment and determination, and thereby eject from this House such members as hold their seats by virtue of the soldiers' vote, given under the law hereinbefore referred to. Your committee being of opinion that this House has full power and authority to adjudicate and determine the soldiers' right to vote under the law in question, and that said determination having been made in favor of such right, and become the law of membership, it does not become necessary to discuss the questions whether, previous to the commencement of the present session, notice should have been given to those persons designing to contest seats.

It has been urged that a proper respect, or courtesy, should lead us to coincide with the decision of the Supreme Court. Where this rule is found, your committee are at a loss to say.

Certainly not in the Constitution, as we have abundantly shown. It cannot be found in the text books, for they declare the Legislature supreme in deciding a question of membership. It has never been conceded by any legislative body.

Your committee are of the opinion that no and if set up, would be in direct violation of the government, as indicated by the division of three distinct and independent departments.

Again if there be any such rule of courtesy ferent departments of government, it should ing upon all, or else it is palpably a usurpat It should be extended to that department w performance of its regular duties, first establis upon the question that may be under consid and courtesy should be mutual between coörd independent departments, or else it is but snare. How is it in the case in hand? Prior the Supreme Court, this House had decided votes should be permitted to take effect in it It decided the question in a high judicial ca obligations of a solemn oath, and as it believ with the letter and spirit of the Constitution.

Soon after, the same question, but affecting of cases, came before the Supreme Court, and deliberated and judged differently from us, an heard of this rule of respect or courtesy. It p stitutional duties with independence and integ an example worthy of all imitation.

There has been a presistent but fruitless att of some outside of this body, whose zeal is their ignorance of the merits of the question indication of independence and self respect o House, into an insult to the Supreme Court. in behalf of the honorable members of this bo indignantly disclaim any such purpose. W and freely that purity, learning and ability guished the Judges upon the bench. We ne except any challenge from them which may l Our judgment must control as to the election their judgment, by the law of the land, will c

of all the inferior courts, the executive officers of the State, and the people in all the private walks of life. The effect of their judgment will be that no election can again be held under the law in question, because the officers who carry on the machinery of an election are properly under the control, and must yield their judgment to that of the courts. Every appearance of conflict must disappear the moment this question of membership is settled.

Does the Supreme Court need or particularly desire to be followed up by the opinion of this Legislature, which in the judgment of some is so unfit to perform its constitutional functions? We certainly hope not, and we think not. If any such suspicions should arise, it will be the result of the folly and indiscretion of those who assume to be its especial champions. There has been a persistent attempt blindly and willfully, to breed difficulty and ill-feeling between the Supreme Court and this Legislature. It was uncalled for, utterly without rational cause, and wicked and infamous to the last degree. Fortunately, there is enough of moderation and wisdom in each of the departments, to counteract any tendency to dangerous conflict or rivalry which may arise.

But it is said any independent action of the Legislature in this matter, is forbidden by a sound conservatism. It is a cry easily raised, and naturally catches the ear of the more stable portion of community. It is, in these times, oftener raised for an evil purpose than a good one. It is a time when demagoguism and venality habitually screen themselves behind phrases and maxims which ought only to be used by honest and wise men.

An eminent modern historian says of Churchill, one of the most corrupt of English courtiers, that whenever he used noble and just language, it was a certain sign he was about to commit a baseness. The fashion has descended to our times, and often succeeds in confounding good and bad to the public eye.

A true conservatism, applied to the question in hand, would teach us that our first duty is to preserve the institutions of our

fathers intact, in all their great and glorious powers. The powers of the government, divided and organic law, should be kept nicely, even as they are. We are taught the importance of this battle fields, red with the best blood of our country and strewn over two continents. Let us pay a deserved tribute to one branch and not forget what is due to another. Let us wisdom and conservatism broad enough to enclose within their ample folds all the elements of government, and all its fundamental doctrines.

Your committee, deeming that the questions have arrived at, cover the whole ground, and all the seats which are the subject of the debate, do not wish to spend time in arguments, but leave the decision of the questions before us.

They will, however, say that if these questions were first time raised, if they had not been decided, your committee would not hesitate to advise that the members are entitled to their seats.

Eighty thousand men, nearly all in the prime of life, have gone from our shores to the field, where amid carnage and death, they are now pending and to be settled, whether the question of the "African citizen," is to remain forever a gloom throughout the civilized world, or be a by-word—"a broken reed," for generations, that it is foolish and vain to fight for rights and equal justice from established wrong. It is true that these 80,000 men are not now all dead in the holy cause—some are in prisons, while others have returned as heroes, in their persons, in maimed limbs or honor to nobility, than any despot who ever lived. *Soldiers in the field have a right to special honors.* dead heroes who have fallen before the

comrades, who, as prisoners of war, in living tombs at the South, are learning and publishing to the world how much of cruelty and barbarism, naturally belong to a government based upon African slavery. These men, the soldiers in the field, have a right to and do speak for their class to the whole world; but, when speaking without a vote, they speak in too many cases to deaf ears and to hardened and unpatriotic hearts.

Your committee, sir, are free to say that they love to hear their voice, when it comes with wild and exultant shout, as, with resistless valor, they sweep the ramparts of Fort Fisher—plant the stars and stripes upon the stronghold of the enemy; and they love to hear it, too, when it comes with an irresistible tide through the BALLOT BOX, consigning northern sympathizers with Southern traitors to political oblivion and death. And, sir, unless we are bound by a plain command, or by a necessary and unavoidable implication from the organic law of the State, we ought not here, in the exercise of any of the absolute and unqualified powers conferred upon us by the constitution, to vote to smother that voice. That voice is the voice of the people, and we are deeply impressed with the conviction, that in this instance, *"the voice of the people is the voice of God."*

Your committee have not been able to discover any such plain command, or unavoidable implication in the Constitution. The question is one which has come to the hearts and minds of the people. It has been ably and industriously discussed by the press, upon the stump, by the Supreme Court and in the Legislature. There is scarcely an intelligent man in the State not familiar with it.

If the question in regard to the seats was now an open one, each individual member would find it his privilege and his duty to decide it upon his own judgment and conscience, independently of any power on earth. But, believing the question to have been heretofore settled, finally adjudicated, they have directed their chairman to report the several petitions and accompanying documents, with the following preamble and resolutions, the resolutions being numbered from one to ten, inclusive:

Whereas, By the Constitution of power and authority to "judge of and returns of its members," are vested in the Legislature;

And whereas, At the commencement of the election of members, this House depended upon the legal voters' votes, under the act entitled "qualified electors of this State, in the year 1868," &c., it was then, in the opinion of this House, that said votes should be received in determining the question of election, upon which decision, members were admitted to seats before

1. *Resolved*, That in the opinion of this House, it would be a dangerous and an abuse of power on the part of this body, to reverse the said determination and decision, and the House such members as may hold their seats by the soldiers' votes, cast in pursuance of the act.

2. *Resolved*, That the prayer of the petition of George R. McKay, asking for the seat in this House, be not granted, and that George R. McKay be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat. (Adjudicated.)

3. *Resolved*, That the petition of Abram Fisher, asking for the seat in this body now occupied by Deacon Fisher of Jackson county, be not granted, and that Abram Fisher be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat. (Adjudicated.)

4. *Resolved*, That the petition of J. C. Bacon, asking for the seat now occupied by Lucien Reed, be not granted, and that the said Lucien Reed be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat. (Adjudicated.)

5. *Resolved*, That the petition of George Macomb, asking for the seat in this body now

Peter Schars, be not granted, and that the said **Peter Schar**s be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat. (Not adjudicated.)

6. *Resolved*, That the petition of John F. Miller, of Wash-
tenaw county, asking for the seat now occupied by James
Clemen **ts**, be not granted, and that the said James Clements
be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat. (Not adjudicated.)

7. *Resolved*, That the petition of Philetus O. Littlejohn, of
Allegan county, asking for the seat in this body now occu-
pied by William Packard, be not granted, and that the said
William Packard be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat.
(Not adjudicated.)

8. *Resolved*, That the petition of Martin V. B. Charles,
asking for the seat now occupied by E. J. Bonine in this
body, be not granted, and that the said E. J. Bonine be and
he is hereby confirmed in his seat. (Not adjudicated.)

9. *Resolved*, That the petition of Benj. F. McDonald, ask-
ing for the seat now occupied in this body by James Bayley,
be not granted, and that the said James Bayley be and he is
hereby confirmed in his seat. (Adjudicated.)

10. *Resolved*, That the petition of Solomon O. Bignall, ask-
ing for the seat in this body now occupied by Wm. Ball, be
not granted, and that the said Wm. Ball be and he is hereby
confirmed in his seat. (Not adjudicated.)

11. *Resolved*, That the petition of Henry B. Hawley, ask-
ing for the seat in this body now occupied by John D. Wood-
worth, from the county of Ingham, be not granted, and that
the said John D. Woodworth be and he is hereby confirmed
in his seat. (Adjudicated.)

And recommend that the resolutions be considered separately
and adopted, and your committee ask to be discharged from
the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman*.

B. M. WILLIAMS,

P. DEAN WARNER,

C. F. MALLARY.

Report accepted.

MINORITY REPORT

Mr. Wells, from the minority of the committee, submitted the following report:

The undersigned, minority of the committee, was referred the memorial of Solomon Wells, a seat in this House now occupied by W. Wells, a Representative from the first Representative district, beg leave to report:

This is one of ten memorials of persons claiming seats in this House, all of which have been referred to the committee. In all the cases the seat is claimed upon the ground, viz: The fact that the sitting members of the House have cast their votes, exclusive of the soldiers, in favor of the decision of the Supreme Court that the soldiers in the field the right to vote should be adhered to by the Legislature. The committee, by a majority of the majority of the committee, have decided in each case referred, but to give effect to the recommendation in a case selected as a test case, in order that the question involved in each case presented to the House, the undersigned, minority of the committee, of their report, the course adopted by the committee. They have, accordingly, in a majority, resolved to submit, in the case in which this report is made, the general recommendation that, in all the cases referred to the committee, the seats claimed.

The question presented to the Legislature in all the cases, is: *Whether it is the duty of the Legislature to adhere to the decision of the Supreme Court that the soldiers in the field the right to vote, is therefore void.* The proper consideration of this question requires a more extended discussion than the limits appropriate to a legislative report of the subject requires that the undersigned, minority of the committee, set forth the views and arguments upon

the question should be determined. They approach its consideration with the conviction that the most patient and deliberate attention of the House is due to it, in view of the consequences which, far more momentous than anything which may be gained or lost by the contestants, may flow from the decision which the House shall make.

The familiar principle of a division of the powers of government into three departments, which is the fundamental provision of all American Constitutions, is to be found in the Constitution of Michigan, in Section 1, of Article III, which declares, that "the powers of government are divided into three departments, legislative, executive, and judicial." It is unnecessary, at this day, to enter into any vindication of the necessity or wisdom of this separation of the several departments of government. The importance of this provision, in the Constitution of every free State, has been demonstrated by the whole history of republican liberty. Reason, authority, and experience have proved the principle to be involved in the very idea of a free Constitution. Its well understood object is the preservation of public liberty and the protection of popular rights. This provision of section 1, of article III., of the Constitution of Michigan, is followed by section 2, which declares that "no person belonging to one department shall exercise the powers properly belonging to another, except in the cases expressly provided in this Constitution." This prohibition, the necessary consequence of the separation of the departments of government, is to the end, in the impressive language of the Bill of Rights of Massachusetts, "that there may be a government of laws and not of men."

Nor is it necessary to enter into any extended discussion in respect to the general nature of the different powers and functions of the departments of government thus provided for. The general character of these powers and functions, is clearly indicated in the terms "legislative, executive, and judicial." These are words of definite and familiar meaning. These designations of the different departments, would, if used only

in the clause of the Constitution which vests the legislative, executive, and judicial powers, confer upon each, well understood to each well defined functions. But there. In separate articles, it sets for these departments, and the limitations which are to be exercised. Without a doubt, if these provisions, it may be said, it is a separate department of the government, the legislative department of making the laws, to the executive department of executing the laws, and to the judicial department of interpreting the laws.

Upon the judicial department of the Constitution confers the power of exercising the judicial power is vested in courts of law. Of these the Supreme Court is the highest in the State. It is the court of ultimate resort. Its appropriate and acknowledged functions are—to define their meaning, to settle all controversies properly submitted for its decision. The necessity of such a tribunal, which shall be supreme in all controversies which are cognizable by the government, is an evident and conceded truth. A government, founded upon the distribution of powers, could be complete without such a tribunal.

"The judicial power in every government is co-extensive with the law," says Kent, "must be co-extensive with the law. Were there no power to interpret, or to declare what is the law, the government would either be a mere despotism, or other powers must be assumed, which would lead to the destruction of liberty."

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"The interpretation of the laws," is a proper and peculiar province of the judiciary. See 363, No. 78.

Included in the general power of executing the laws, which the constitution vests in the executive department, is the power of interpreting the laws, which the constitution vests in the judicial department.

Court, is the power of determining whether the laws are in conformity with the constitution, which is the fundamental law. This power of determining whether the enactments of the Legislature are in accordance with the constitution, is necessarily involved in the general power of the highest tribunal in which judicial controversies are to be decided. "To determine the constitutionality of acts of the Legislature, a final tribunal is established, to whose decisions all others are subordinate, and that arbiter is the supreme judicial authority." [1 Story on the Constitution, § 375.]

It is not claimed that any general power of interpreting the laws is conferred upon any other department of the government except the judicial. It is conceded that neither the Legislature which enacts, nor the Executive which enforces the laws, is entrusted by the constitution with general judicial powers. This is involved in the very idea of a separation of the departments of the government, and contained in the express terms of that clause of the constitution which forbids the exercise, by any department, of the powers which belong to another. Each department of the government must operate and be confined within its constitutional limits. Neither the Legislature nor the Executive can declare what the law is. The Legislature may provide what the law shall be in future, but having once enacted a statute, it cannot declare what its meaning is. [Ogden v. Blackledge, 2 Crauch, 977.]

That the decisions of the highest judicial tribunal of the State are binding upon the other departments of the government, as well as upon individuals, is acknowledged by the ordinary and habitual action of these departments. The obligation of other departments of the government to respect the paramount authority of the Supreme Court in the interpretation of the laws, is recognized and acted upon. The Legislature admits and respects this authority by the amendment of laws which have been adjudged defective, and a large part of the action of the legislative department is of this character. The Executive, in his enforcement of the laws, conforms to their interpre-

tation by the judicial power. This made by the highest judicial tribuna and useful exercise of the legislative

But what is the ground and reason legislative and executive departmen to the interpretation of the laws wh judicial power. It is not because t provisions, require the Legislature a conform to the decisions of the judi because the determinations of the j enforced upon the legislative depar forced upon individuals, by the pow of executing their own decisions. T express terms, require the Legislatu obedience to the determinations of Legislature and the Executive, like selves to the judgment of the co been said, this obligation to respect judicial tribunals is constantly exerci other departments. The reason is e to an obligation laid upon the of very nature and constitution of the of the very theory of the constitutio ernment cannot be carried on, as a h the constant recognition, by the othe ment, of their obligation to respect t ity of the State. That individuals sh the decisions of the judicial tribunal should be exempt from any obligation nations; that the acts of the legisla termed to be invalid, shall be follo same objections; that no regard wh ions of the Supreme Court upon statu has enacted, is a theory of governmen mony in the action of the several de j tial to the maintenance of any gove

precisely because the government could not be maintained **unless the Legislature**, in its ordinary action, recognized this **obligation** to respect the decisions of the judiciary, that the **Legislature** acts constantly in obedience to that obligation.

If, **then**, it is established that the power of expounding the **laws and** determining their conformity to the Constitution, **belongs to** the judicial department alone; if the right to **determine the** constitutionality of a law, is not asserted to belong to **the Legislature** as a general power, the question before the **House** requires us to consider, in the next place, whether the **Legislature** has judicial power to determine the constitutionality of a law which affects the election of its members. This is the power which must be asserted to belong to the Legislature in the case before us. And this is the position assumed by the majority of the committee. This is the only theory upon which the right of the sitting members, to retain their seats, can be upheld. It is claimed, that although the Legislature does not possess the general power of construing the laws, and determining their constitutionality, it does possess such power in respect to those enactments, under which members of the **Legislature** are elected.

If judicial power is given to the Legislature in this class of cases, it must be by virtue of an express provision of the **Constitution**. For, if the Constitution, by the distribution of the powers of government, and by the provisions which establish the separate departments, confers the general power of **expounding** the laws, upon the judicial department, and it is **claimed** that in certain excepted and particular cases, the right of **interpreting** the laws, and determining their constitutionality, is given to the Legislature, the exception must be founded upon **some** clause of the Constitution which, by its terms, declares **the** exception. Such an express provision is claimed to be contained in section 9, of article III, of the Constitution, which **declares** that "Each House shall choose its own officers, determine the rules of its proceedings, and judge of the qualifications, elections, and returns of its members." It is said that

this clause confers upon each House judicial power to determine the validity of qualifications, elections, and returns. When an inquiry is instituted concerning the validity of elections and returns.

This provision is not peculiar to any one form of government. It is to be found, in substance, in every State Constitution, as well as in the Constitution of the United States. It is a provision which has received the proper construction and even the sanction of the judicial body. And the fact that all governments which establish a legislature contain such a provision tends to ascertain its meaning from the practice and instruction it has received, as well as from the spirit and terms and intention. We may, therefore, consider the following aspects, viz:

1. What is its intention and object
2. What is the natural import of it
3. What has been the practical construction of it

1. Its object is to secure the free and full exercise of the action of legislative bodies under

1. Its object is to secure the free and full existence of the Legislature. "It is to be lodged somewhere to judge of the qualifications of the members of each Legislature, for otherwise there could be no legitimate chosen members and usurpers might claim a seat, and thus the liberties and privileges of the people become, under such circumstances, a mere shadow. The exercise of sovereignty by a single body, in which such a form shall be kept other than the legislative body itself, is a source of great impurity, and even its existence and action are put into imminent danger." [1 Story, § 833.] This power is given to the L

that it may ascertain who have been chosen by the people to be members.

There is nothing, then, in the object and intention of such a provision, which makes it necessary that the Legislature should possess the power of determining the constitutional validity of the laws under which its members are elected. If its purpose is to enable the Legislature to decide what, in point of fact, has been the choice of the people in the election of members, it is clear that this object may be secured, by such a construction of this provision as shall give to the Legislature the right to inquire into the facts of elections, without conferring upon it the right to interfere with the exercise of the judicial power by the department to which that power has been entrusted. No judicial construction of laws, no inquiry into the constitutionality of laws, is necessary to the attainment of the objects of this provision. By confining its jurisdiction to an inquiry into the facts concerning the qualifications, elections and returns of its members, the Legislature may secure to itself everything which is intended by this provision. And, therefore, if it is to be construed in such a manner as that its true object may be secured, and its real intention carried out, it is not necessary to hold that it confers upon the Legislature the power of determining the constitutionality of laws.

2. What is the natural meaning of its language? The words are: "Each House shall judge," not of the validity of election laws, but of the "qualifications, elections, and returns of its members." Is it not declared that the Legislature shall decide upon the laws which affect the qualifications, elections and returns, but that it shall be the judge of these so far as they are matters of fact and of evidence. It shall determine whether, as matter of fact, the returns are sufficient; whether, in point of fact, the elections have been held in conformity with the law. Is there, then, anything in this specification of the subjects of which the House is authorized to judge, which gives the power to determine the constitutionality of the laws under which members may claim to have been elected. Nothing.

when read according to the natural meaning employed. If not in the specification, the House shall judge, where is the words of the section?

It may be answered, that the use conveys the idea that judicial power is not to be considered apart from the sphere in which the House is authorized to be employed had been, "each House shall judge." It may be then contended that judicial power is the natural meaning of the language? Is it to "judge" any greater than the use of "decide" would imply? To be given to the House to have the power of determination, but not to judge as a judicial tribunal is authorized of the matters which such tribunals decide. It is clear, that if the clause in question is to be given its primary and natural meaning, it must be given upon each House no greater power than that which concerns the qualifications, elections, and returns, as matters of fact.

But, 3. What has been the practice under this clause of the Constitution by the House of Commons under a similar provision? It has been observed that a provision is embodied in all constitutions in the legislative department of government. The constitutional provisions are only the basis of the principle of parliamentary law. Mr. Cushing, in his present constitution of the House of Commons, says: (Cushing's Parliament) "The present constitution of the House of Commons is, to a considerable extent, the result of a series of conflicts, on the one hand, and the sovereign or Lord, on the other. Of the earliest of these conflicts, and one of the most important, is that which culminated in the establishment of the Commons to be the exclusive judges of the qualifications of their own members."

after having been claimed and exercised, at one time, by the King and Council, at another, by the House of Lords, and again, by the Lord Chancellor, was declared by a resolution of the Commons, in 1624, and has ever since been admitted to belong to the House itself, as its ancient, natural, and undoubted privilege."

If then, the jurisdiction of legislative bodies, conferred by this provision of the Constitution, has been long exercised, a uniform and settled practice under it must have been established. And this practice shows that the inquiry is confined to questions of fact, merely, whether the law governing the election has been complied with, and whether the persons elected have the requisite qualifications. Under the first head, are included inquiries whether there have been, in point of fact, any proceedings injurious to the freedom of election, such as riots or bribery; whether the returning officers have the legal qualifications, and whether their conduct has been in conformity with the law; whether the electors had the legal qualifications, of citizenship, freedom, residence, or property—all matters of fact. Under the second head, are included inquiries whether the persons elected have the qualifications of citizenship, age, residence within a particular district, or whether they are, in fact, disqualified, by holding disqualifying offices or employments, or by personal disqualifications—all of which are matters of fact.

But the method of inquiry, settled by ancient parliamentary practice, still further shows that the jurisdiction is restricted to questions of fact. The examination is conducted in the method by which questions of fact are always determined, viz: the production of the testimony of witnesses, or other legal evidence. The decision is given upon this evidence, according to its weight and effect. A determination which is made upon evidence, is the determination of a question of fact alone.

It results from this consideration of this clause in the Constitution, in its terms, its object, and by the settled parliamentary practice under it, that nothing more was intended by it

than to give to the Legislature the right of determining questions of fact concerning the elections, or the number of members. If then, there is nothing in the Constitution which confers upon the Legislature the power to determine the constitutionality of statutes, we must consider the question upon other reasons. No other express provision is made for the power to the Legislature. In all other subjects it is conceded that the power of determining the constitutionality of the laws is vested in the Judiciary.

And it is upon considerations arising from the structure of the Constitution and the intentions of the framers, that this question of the obligation of the Legislature to obey the decisions of the Supreme Court has been decided. It is not a question of technical construction of the Constitution, nor can it be settled by authority. It must be determined by inquiring whether the power of the Legislature can be exercised consistently with the tenor of the Constitution, the due preservation of a separation of the departments, and the safety of the people.

In the first place, the exercise by the Legislature of the power of deciding upon the constitutionality of laws is consistent with a harmonious operation of the government. The separation of the departments, and the prohibition that neither department exercise powers properly belonging to another, requires a careful abstinence of each department from the exercise of the powers with the appropriate functions of another. The exercise by each department of its powers, and the respect for the powers properly belonging to another is the language of the Constitution. The exercise by each department of its powers is to be respected by every other department. The intention of the people thus expressed is that no unauthorized assumption of the powers of one department shall be permitted, but it requires that each department, in the exercise of its own power, at all times, the limits of the

departments should be respected by each. The constitution does not, in express terms, define all the powers of the departments, it does not specify the various functions of each, but it establishes them by general designations, which indicate the appropriate powers and duties which devolve upon them. The duty of respect to the action of each department by every other is not an obligation which any constitution of government expresses in positive language, but it arises from the impossibility of maintaining any constitution at all without it. But can this harmony of the several departments be maintained, if the Legislature and the Supreme Court both have the power to determine the constitutionality of statutes? The intention of the people as expressed in the constitution is, to secure the interpretation of the laws by a single authority. But if the Legislature has also this authority it results that there are two departments of the government having the same powers, which will not, always, of course, be exercised in agreement. And if agreement and harmony between all the departments is essential to the very idea of the distribution of powers, then it cannot be considered to have been the intention of the people that the same power should be exercised by two departments.

Again, the power claimed for the Legislature to determine the constitutionality of statutes cannot be conceded consistently with a uniform operation of the laws upon the people. All the powers of the government are to be exercised in such a manner that all citizens may be subject to the same interpretation of the laws. That cannot be a free or safe government under which the law means one thing for one individual, and a different thing for another. The rights of person and of property, the liberty and the protection of the citizen, are all dependent upon the preservation of the principle that the laws shall receive but one interpretation. Without this, all men are not equal before the law, and the rights, the property, the privileges, which the law awards to one, may be withheld from another. This is the very reason why a supreme tribunal is established to which the power of expounding the law, in the last

resort, is entrusted. But can this unity of the laws be maintained if the power is left to the Legislature, to determine the constitutionality of the same law has been adjudged unconstitutional by the Supreme Court? Let the position assume before us.

It is admitted that the power of deciding the constitutionality of the soldiers' voting law, belongs to the Supreme Court, in the cases submitted to it. There is a case where the right to a county office was terminated by the court, that the law was void, and the person elected by the votes lost his title to the office. So in every case where the court, which involves the title to an office, is claimed under an election in which the office will be awarded to the person who has the majority of the home vote. The decision of the court may be, in respect to all other officers except members of the Legislature. State officers are compelled to abide by and obey the court; but members of the Legislature are not, and hold their titles to their seats, notwithstanding the court has declared to have been illegal. The same electors, written on the same list, are legal in respect to one officer, and legal in respect to another, but to be disqualified for voting in the first case, and legal in the second. The absurdity of the position seems manifest. No clause in the Constitution can be supposed to authorize an unequal operation of the same law, upon different citizens.

Finally, the exercise of the power of deciding the constitutionality of laws, in disregard of the Supreme Court, is fatally destructive of the Union, which is essential to the preservation of the Republic. No power ever may be claimed to be the force of

of the Constitution, it is clear that the creation of a tribunal which in the last resort, shall interpret the laws, implies that the decisions of that tribunal shall be respected by legislators as well as citizens. If the Legislature claims to be exempt from the general obligation of obedience to the decisions of the courts, that exemption must be established by some clause in the Constitution, which clearly shows that such was the intention of the people. If the Legislature may disregard the interpretation of the law by the tribunal to which the people have entrusted the power of declaring what the law is, then an example of insubordination to law is furnished by the law-making power itself. Can it be expected that the sentiment of obedience to law and reverence for the constitution can be preserved in the community while such an example is placed before the people? By whatever technical refinements legislators may endeavor to find in the Constitution a warrant for disregarding the determinations of the tribunal upon which the power of declaring the law has been conferred, it will still remain true that such disregard is inconsistent with the whole tenor of the instrument which implies that the decisions of the highest judicial tribunal are to be accepted as final and decisive.

The undersigned, for these reasons, submit to the House, that it is the duty of the House, in deciding all the cases arising under the memorials referred, to act in accordance with the decision of the Supreme Court, declaring the act conferring upon soldiers in the field the right to vote to be unconstitutional, and that, as in all the cases the sitting members hold their seats by virtue of votes cast under that law, the contestants should be admitted.

But the cases referred are probably divisible into two classes—one including those upon which no action has been taken by the House, and the other including those upon which the House has already passed. There are six of the former, and four of the latter. It becomes the duty of the undersigned, therefore, to submit their views to the House upon the question whether there is any proper distinction between the two classes of cases.

It is claimed by the majority of the court which have been already passed upon has been determined, and that the decision made cannot be reversed. The position assumed is, that the House, in the cases, has acted judicially, and that the result in every case which has been decided, is reversible.

In the opinion of the undersigned, this rests upon an incorrect theory of the capacity of the House to act in the prosecution of an inquiry concerning elections, elections or returns of its members. A decision of a judicial tribunal is final, and cannot be reversed. A political body. Such a body is not a judicial body in the sense of the rule. It is true that functions which are those of a court, are exercised in the discharge of its duty respecting the election of a member. It is denied that the power belongs to a legislative body to act in all other matters except these. In such cases, such a body revises its previous decisions, and sets aside its former acts. What distinction can be drawn between its action upon other matters, and its decision upon a contested election? It decides in the same manner as a majority; it is not resolved into a court; it follows the rules and forms in order to ascertain the result of its inquiries may be made at any time when the question is the right of the member to hold the seat, is a matter of the attention of the House.

"The validity of a return or election, in accordance with the special order of the assembly, or some provision to the contrary, may be examined at any time during the session in which the election purports to have been made, and if the return or return, which is not good at first, cannot be sustained, it lapses of time." [Cushing's Parliamentary Law, p. 100.]

The consequences of the rule contended for would be to deprive a legislative body of the power to revise its decisions in matters which affect its privileges and immunities, and would deprive it of the power to expel its

may have been obtained on false evidence. Would the House be concluded by a decision, if it were shown to all the proofs upon which the seat had been awarded, were manufactured? And if the determination may be reviewed when it has been made upon a misrepresentation of facts, it is difficult to perceive why it may not be, in a case where the House has awarded the seat under an unconstitutional law.

This view of the question is sustained by precedent.

The same question has arisen in the Congress of the United States, and has been there decided against the rule insisted on by the majority of the committee. The case arose in 1837, in the Twenty-Fifth Congress, between persons claiming to be elected Members of Congress from the State of Mississippi. The history of the case is to be found in the proceedings of the Senate for January, 1859, (Cong. Globe, 1858-1859,) where a similar question arose upon the resolution to admit to the floor of the Senate the persons claiming to have been elected Senators from Indiana. The resolution received an extended discussion, which was participated in by Senators TRUMBULL, BELL and SEWARD, all of whom declared against the doctrine of *adjudicata* as applied to the decision in a case of contested election. Mr. TRUMBULL gave the following account of the Mississippi case.

"In the Twenty-Fifth Congress of the United States, at its first session, there appeared in the other wing of the Capitol, from the State of Mississippi, two gentlemen, Messrs. Claibourne and Gholson, claiming to be elected members of that Congress. When they applied for admission, objection was made to their being sworn in; but they were sworn in after some little discussion, and they voted for Speaker. Their credentials were then referred to the committee on elections in the House of Representatives; and that committee, through Mr. Buchanan, made an elaborate report, concluding with a resolution that Messrs. Claibourne and Gholson were entitled to seats as members of the Twenty-Fifth Congress. That resolution was discussed for days, and finally it was adopted; and Messrs.

Claibourne and Gholson were declared members of the Twenty-Fifth Congress.

"This was at a special session held in place of a regular session of Congress which at the following, two other gentlemen appeared as representatives, Messrs. Prentiss and Word who were elected at a regular election held during the absence of their credentials and claimed to be members of the Twenty-Fifth Congress. Their credentials were referred to the committee on elections; a report was made and the matter was re-investigated; and the decision was that the House of Representatives was not the body to which they had been given at the special session, as applied to a political body."—(Part I.)

Mr. BELL, who was a member of the House in the Mississippi case arose, admitted the statement of Mr. Trumbull, to be correct.

In a subsequent consideration of the whole subject was fully discussed by Mr. Marks the undersigned regard as so clear and settled the law in the premises, that he referred them to the particular attention of the House.

Mr. SEWARD said: "It is answered to the question I have submitted, that the Senate has already decided upon the title of these seats; that the decision is final, absolute, irrevocable; and so cannot be reconsidered. This seems to me an extraordinary case, and I cannot conceive upon what ground it can be reconsidered. I can conceive of a misapprehension of the constitution of the Senate, which leads to a reconsideration. I can conceive that Senators are present at the present forum, coming from the bar, coming from the courts, familiar with their proceedings and practice, when the Senate decides upon a question."

privilege like this, it pronounces a judgment, and similar to the judgment of a court, and then they invoke the principle that the deliberate judgment of a court from which there is no appeal, and which has no power of reconsideration, is final. I take issue with the whole of this theory from beginning to end. It is true that the constitution does say that each House of Congress shall be the judge of the qualifications of its own members; but it uses the word judge, in the sense of considering and determining a legislative question, not in a sense which converts this legislative body into a tribunal or court of justice. Suppose a seat should be granted here, on due consideration of credentials, which should afterwards be ascertained to be forged. Must the guilty incumbent nevertheless retain a place among us, and unite in deciding on the interests and policy of this great nation?

"This is of the very essence of a legislative body in this country, that it is bound by no precedent, that it is governed by no paramount law, except the Constitution of this State or of the United States. When the Constitution of the United States does not restrain its action, it is at liberty to act upon its discretion, and to reverse to-morrow what it did to-day--and to reverse fifty years hence, what it did fifty years ago. All legislative bodies--the Parliament of England, and parliaments everywhere, have always been governed by this principle. Even in those semi-judicial transactions, those acts which assume something of a judicial character, affecting personal and individual rights and estates, acts of confiscation, and of attainder, in the British Parliament, they are perpetually reconsidered; sometimes the next day, even before the sentence of deprivation is executed; sometimes the next year, sometimes ten years, sometimes fifty years after they have been executed, and they are renewed at pleasure." (Cong. Globe, 1858-9, p. 957.)

The undersigned, therefore, recommend the adoption of the following preamble and resolution:

Whereas, Solomon L. Bignall was duly elected a Represen-

tative from the First Representative District of Livingston county, by a majority of all the votes cast, and the votes of soldiers in the field; and

Whereas, William Ball holds a seat in the First Representative District of Livingston county, and has been awarded said seat, on the ground that he received a majority of all the votes cast, if the votes of soldiers in the field were included; and

Whereas, The act giving to soldiers in the field the right to vote, has been declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court, and

Whereas, it is the duty of the Legislature to conform with the decisions of the Supreme Court, and the constitutionality of statutes; therefore,

Resolved, That Solomon L. Bignall be seated in this House now held by William Ball, as the first representative district of Livingston county.

WILLIAM
M. D.

Report accepted.

Mr. Mickley, from the same committee, reported the following report:

The undersigned, finding himself unable to secure a majority or the minority of the select committee, was referred the petitions and memorials claiming seats on the floor of this House by the majority of certain votes cast under and by the act known as the soldiers' voting law, has considered the same and respectfully begs leave to submit the following report on the subject:

Being by profession a farmer, and not learned in the mysteries of the law, he can only present such reasons as have caused him to come to a conclusion different from that of his associates on the occasion.

From childhood, he has always understood it to be the province of the Legislature, when not prohibited

or implied terms of the Constitution, to say what shall be law, and of the courts to say what is law; that is, that the legislative department enact the law, and the judicial department construe it. He cannot believe it possible that the Constitution ever designed to establish any principle under which there might be two constructions of that instrument, one applicable to the Legislature, and the other applicable to all other citizens. It seems to him that the Supreme Court is the authorized exponent of the Constitution and the laws, and that the decision of the majority that the Legislature may disregard their decision and adopt a different rule for themselves, is dangerous, and if put in practice might lead to most pernicious results. The Legislature, chosen from the different pursuits and professions of life, holding a hurried session once in two years, with a multiplicity of duties to discharge, often arrayed in opposing factions, sometimes influenced by local considerations, and with many of the members unfitted by a knowledge or study of the law, to discharge the important duty of determining grave constitutional questions, affecting property, life and government, is not such a body as in his opinion was designed for the purpose of construing and settling questions of constitutional law. On the contrary, it seems to him that this duty is preëminently the prerogative of the judiciary, composed, as it usually is, of men distinguished for their legal learning and ability, with ample time to give such questions that thoughtful and careful consideration which their importance demand.

The constitutionality of the soldiers' voting law has always been a matter of serious doubt. Upon this ground it was discussed and opposed in the Legislature that passed it, and efforts were then made to procure an adjudication of the constitutional question before putting the law into general effect. It was well understood, after the enactment of the law, and when votes were counted by virtue of it, that the question was a mooted one, and would be tested at the first opportunity. So divided was the public sentiment that canvassers in some instances ventured to take it upon themselves with a high hand

to disregard the act and refuse to *con* provisions. Even in this House, *contes* right to seats should hinge solely on question by the Supreme Court. All tribunal as the final arbiter of the ques ment of the undersigned, if at any time had convened, and before the *decisi* announced, each member of this House upon the subject, without an exception sponded that that decision would be *con* and ought to be respected as well by the people.

But it is said that each House is made the sole judge of the qualifications, elect members, and it is expressly made so for abling it to adjudge and settle for itself, decisions of the courts, all constitutional members. Chancellor Kent says, that these cases in a judicial character, its decisions of any other court of justice, ought known principles of law, and strictly ad of uniformity and certainty. Now, it is signed, that the clear meaning of this Legislature ought in such cases, to be governing rule of law, as known and settled by tribunal; otherwise how could there be tainty. A decision conflicting with that inevitably produce disagreement, confusion.

If the Legislature place themselves in ing this law valid, after the court has decided must, to be consistent, go on having elections and we should then have the extraordinary under which all the elections from year to cept those of members of Legislature. erty, as some contend, to settle all *const* for ourselves, and may, in our official char

cisions of the judicial department, why should we treat this law as void by proposing to amend that part of the Constitution with which the courts say it conflicts? Why not insist that it is still law, and shall be obeyed and respected as such.

Great stress has been placed upon a case decided in the New York Court of Errors, and reported the 3d of Cowen, page 386. It has been triumphantly declared that this case settled the whole question, and demonstrated to a mathematical certainty, the correctness of the position of the majority of the committee. The undersigned has not been able to see it in that light; to him it seems in no wise to support the doctrine, that constitutional law, as construed and settled by legal decisions, may be openly disregarded by a Legislature. The Legislature of New York passed an act, providing that any person convicted of dueling should be incapable of holding office, and the court held that this disqualification was legal and valid. They, nevertheless, held that the Constitution having provided that each House of the Legislature was the sole judge of the qualifications of its own members, might disregard, not the Constitution, or the interpretation thereof by the courts, but the law of the previous Legislature, and treating that law as merely directory, might go back to the provision of the Constitution, and the opinion of the House would prevail in respect to the seat and rights of any member, declared ineligible to office by the courts, by reason of this law. In other words, that the act of a previous Legislature could not over-ride the Constitution, and deprive the Houses of their exclusive jurisdiction, to judge of the qualifications of members; and that therefore, while the court would hold the law good and effectual, to exclude from all other public stations, the Legislature might fall back upon the constitutional provision, and hold it, so far as it applied to the qualifications of the members thereof, in derogation of that instrument. It will be seen at a glance, that this decision has no relation whatever to different constructions of constitutional law, but goes simply to the power

of the Legislature, to disregard a statute of their predecessors, where the same seemed to be their constitutional right to judge of the constitutionality of the law.

We are gravely told that it is dangerous to be controlled by the opinions of the courts. If a decision, at one fell swoop, every member of the Legislature find himself judicially ousted and the Legislature become disorganized. Now, if upon legal investigation it is ascertained that all the members of the Legislature had been elected illegally and in defiance of the constitution, and were usurpers, the undersigned knows that they should be confirmed in their places and permitted to exercise the power thus unlawfully obtained. If the liberties of the people and the integrity of the government would be best secured by referring such questions to the source in this government from whence all power flows, the people!

Again, it is contended that courts often change their opinions, and that he who undertakes to follow the law as the courts interpret it, will find himself like the weathercock, every turn of the wind. In an age of thought when the public mind, like the restless ocean, is in ceaseless activity, when principles and policies are constantly shifting, and the right eagerly sought, it would be wise for the courts to have it said that they were but imperfect organs, that they sometimes revise their own decisions, as evidence of weakness, as the same can be seen in the various departments of government, and of all reasoning minds. But while the judgments of the courts are immutable, the undersigned apprehends that it will show that certainty and stability have marked and characterized this branch of the government, and that its teachings will find the changes as favorable to liberty, justice and order as strong as the winds of heaven.

If courts vary, are we not bound to follow?

judicial construction of a statute by our Supreme Court the law of the land until it is reversed? will it not be admitted, that such is the case in every respect, unless, as is claimed, the Legislature is the sole exception. The people, the Executive, and all others, then, save the Legislature, must yield and submit to this interpretation of the law; not that the right of private judgment must cease; not that we must agree with the reasoning of the court, for in the case recently decided that we are now considering, the Chief Justice gave a dissenting opinion, that is, he did not agree to the reasoning of the Court, but nevertheless he directed judgment to be rendered contrary to his views, and in accordance with the opinion of the court, thus distinctly recognizing the conclusion of his associates as law which he must respect and regard, although he was not satisfied with the force of their reasoning.

It is then to the undersigned clear that we must yield to the construction of the Court, whatever may be our private opinions, as we bow to an act of the Legislature, and he who refuses obedience in either case takes it upon himself to trample upon law. Nor can he as yet perceive any good reason why the Legislature should make itself an exception, and with impunity set aside what must be respected and obeyed everywhere else in the State as law. It is true there is no appeal, and it is certainly in the power of the Legislature to do this; but will they not at the same time exhibit the spectacle of the first legislative body in the State deliberately disregarding and overriding solemn judicial decisions? As we have been repeatedly told, the people have set bounds to the legislative power, and have placed the judiciary between themselves and the Legislature, to see that these bounds are not overstepped; and when the Legislature assumes to overrule the decision, they are taking upon themselves functions which the people have expressly intrusted to others. Is it safe or wise to venture out on this unexplored sea?

Does not the voice of wisdom admonish us to beware how we move in a direction different from that pointed out by the landmarks and signals that have so far successfully guided our

good ship of State. Nullification: Shall we now, with a harvest of the sad and bitter result of that have a lodgment in our midst? I from the strict letter of the Constitution State and preserve its very life, the disregarding a plain provision of the what shall we say when, to preserve brief period, their seats in this House of doubtful constitutionality, the very tion, is adopted and made precedent: us pause and reflect before we tread on

Again, it is said that this House, in a elected by the vote of soldiers, decided tion in favor of the law, and that decision and covers all the cases then unjudged and adjudged, and was a deliberate affirmation of the constitutionality of the law seems to be presented to sustain this novel signed must beg leave to dissent from it.

It seems to him that each case is judicially decided upon its own merits. If the decision of the first case was a finality as to all the cases then as to the law, then clearly the Legislature's act of theirs, treat the law as void, but they are still of binding force throughout the State. In analogy, it would seem as though the same rule in these cases as govern proceedings in court when a judgment has been rendered, even though the law may have been taken is subsequently declared to be disturbed, and is still as effective as though no decision had never been rendered. But all cases at the time of the decision, or arising under such circumstances, must be governed and controlled by the decision of the law a nullity. Therefore, viewing the adjudicated first cases as like unto a judgment made absolute

determination by a court of last resort, against the constitutionality of the law upon which the same was based, he cannot agree with the minority of the committee that these cases should be re-opened and re-adjudged.

He is of the impression that there is no power in the House to order a re-hearing of any contested case, but he nevertheless thinks that the adoption of such a practice would be unusual, and might frequently result in making a contest for a seat between two claimants, as lasting as the session. No person under such circumstances could rely upon a judgment of the House, and know that his claim to a seat when once adjudicated, was fully settled. He might with propriety, insist that he was not as well treated as the criminal, who, after a judgment in his favor, cannot be put on trial a second time for the same offense. Suppose an application should be made by the defeated party, in the case of Twitchell vs. Blodgett to the Supreme Court for a re-hearing of the case, may it not fairly be presumed that the court would refuse to permit a second contest for that office between the same parties. Having declared one of the contestants entitled to the place, and directed him to be installed therein, they would regard that decision as final and would scarcely subject the successful party to the trouble and vexation of a new contest.

In the case of Clements and Miller, where there seems to have been an understanding between the parties, as appears by the report of the committee on elections, that the claim to the seat should depend on the decision by the Supreme Court, of the question of the constitutionality of the votes of soldiers, there is an equity that seems to make it an exception to the rule governing the other cases.

For the reasons above set forth, it seems to the undersigned that the decision of the Supreme Court ought to be respected by the Legislature, as the uniform rule of law that must prevail in the State from the time it was announced, and that from and after such decision the soldiers' voting law ought to be regarded, in all respects, by this Legislature, as null and void.

And that in all cases of contested seats, if voted before the announcement of that deciding the same ought to be confirmed there express understanding that the contest might be continued after such decision.

Impressed with these views, and sincere in the desire to be the only ground upon which these views were decided and preserve uniformity and harmony among the different departments of the State government, he reluctantly felt himself compelled to disassociate himself from the committee, and thus bring the consideration of the House his reasoning.

In conclusion, he submits the following, embodying the opinions which he entertains, which he recommends:

Resolved, That in all cases where the question of the seat has been definitely passed upon by the House will not re-open the case for examination unless there was an express understanding that the case might be continued after such decision.

Resolved, That in all cases not definitely decided by the House, the contestants are entitled to present their case to the proper committee, and if it is found that they are entitled by a majority of the house vote, as legally established, they shall at once be admitted to their seats.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

CHARLES

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The majority report and two minority reports were placed on the table, ordered printed, and made the order of the day for Thursday afternoon next, at 2 o'clock.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 18, 1865. }

To the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State, the following, viz:

An act to legalize the tax roll of the township of Fenton, in the county of Genesee, for the year 1864, and to extend the time for the collection of the taxes in said township;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Kalamazoo, in the county of Kalamazoo, for the year 1864;

Also,

An act to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Holmes, in the county of Mackinac, for the year 1864.

HENRY H. CRAPO.

The message was laid on the table.

The Speaker called the Speaker *pro tem.* to the chair.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

An indefinite leave of absence was granted the Speaker, on account of sickness in his family.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No 65, entitled

A bill to extend to actual settlers on the public lands, certain rights and privileges as freeholders;

2. House bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Houghton

county, to draw certain swamp land money, same on the L'Anse Bay and State line for other purposes;

8. House bill No. 58, entitled

A bill changing the name of the township of county of Mecosta, to that of Big Rapids;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H.

Secretary

The bills were referred to the committee on enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following

SENATE CHAMBER

Lansing, February 12

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following joint resolution:

Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of Robert W. Cur

Which has passed the Senate by a majority of Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GL

Secretary of

The joint resolution was read a first and second time, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following

SENATE CHAMBER

Lansing, February 12

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 17, entitled

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of lands by Congress, to endow Female Colleges, in the several States;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing of a State road, to be known as the Ovid and St. Charles State road, and appropriating certain swamp lands for the construction of the same,

Which the Senate has amended by striking out all after the word "runs," in the proviso to section three;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Maxwell moved that the House concur in the amendment made to the bill by the Senate,

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,
A. Allen,
Bartow,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,

Mr. Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Lapham,

Mr. Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Scharf,
Shier,

Carleton,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Morton,

Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
Mickley,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
Osborn,
Packard,

NAYB.

Mr. G. W. Allen,	Mr. J. H. Jones,	Mr. S
Ball,	Landon,	V
Beach,	Lewis,	S
Boies,	Look,	T
Camburn,	Luther,	V
Chipman,	May,	W
Dort,	McKernan,	W
Dunlap,	Miles,	W
Fisher,	Monroe,	W
Hasen,	Pack,	W
M. D. Howard,	Phillips,	W
O. F. Howard,	Seymour,	W

The bill was then referred to the committee on and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the follow

SENATE CHAM
Lansing, February

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide of swamp and primary school lands in the mineral Upper Peninsula, heretofore withheld from market lands, approved March 19, 1863;

2. Senate bill No. 80, entitled

A bill making an appropriation to pay the ar the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, for 1863 and 1864;

Which have passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The first named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

The second named bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 53, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Jackson," approved February 14, 1857;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 18, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 75, entitled

A bill to prevent placing obstructions in the Grand and Portage rivers, in the county of Jackson;

2. Senate bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to amend section 6, of an act entitled an appropriation in aid of the Asylum for the Deaf and the Blind, at Flint, approved February 12

Which have passed the Senate by a majority of Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of those elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, a concurrence of the House is respectfully asked

Very respectfully,

THOS. H.

Secretary

The first named bill was read a first and second time, and referred to the committee on State and Territorial Affairs.

The second named bill was read a first and second time, and referred to the committee on Asylum and Blind.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following

SENATE CHAMBER

Lansing, February 12, 1864

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to re-transmit the following bill:

Senate bill No. 79, entitled

A bill supplementary to "An act entitled an act to provide for the payment of bounties to volunteers in the military service of the United States," approved Feb. 4,

Which the House amended as follows:

1. By inserting in line four, of section one, "recruit," the words, "or who, being drafted, person in said military or naval service;"

2. By striking out in lines two and three, of section one, the words, "during the continuance of the present war;"

3. By adding the following proviso at the end of section one: "Provided further, That the bounties herein authorized shall be paid, shall apply only to the present call for 300,000 men."

And to inform the House that the Senate has concurred in the first and second amendments made to the

House, and has amended the third amendment made to the bill as follows:

Strike out the words "apply only to the present call for three hundred thousand men," and insert in lieu thereof the words, "not be paid to any person who procures a substitute after being drafted," and that the said third amendment, as thus amended, has been concurred in by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Monroe moved that the House insist on the first two amendments made by the House to said bill;

Mr. Welch moved to lay the bill on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The motion of Mr. Monroe was agreed to.

Mr. Welch moved to lay the bill on the table;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Stewart moved that the House concur in the amendment made by the Senate to the last amendment made by the House to the bill;

Which motion did not prevail, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Green,
Shier,

Mr. Stewart,
Taylor,

Mr. Williams,

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NAYS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brookway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,

Mr. Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Mallory,

Mr. Packard,
Phillips.
Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Schars,
Seymour,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Thayer,
Utley,
Van Vleet,

Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Hairo,
Hawley,
Hazen,

Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
Osborn,
Pack,

Warner,
Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*,
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The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 20, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That a select joint committee of five, consisting of three on the part of the House, and two on the part of the Senate, be appointed to examine into certain frauds and misdemeanors alleged to have been committed by the Amboy, Lansing and Traverse Bay Railroad company, and that said committee be requested to report to this Legislature at as early a day as practicable.

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect,

And to inform the House that Senators Edsell and Bancroft have been appointed as such committee on the part of the Senate.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The Speaker *pro tem.* appointed as such committee, on the part of the House, Messrs. Taylor, Jenness and Chipman.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that the House take a recess until this afternoon at 3 o'clock;

Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Winsor moved that a committee of three, of which the chairman of the committee on war bounties, Mr. Warner, should be chairman, be appointed on the part of the House, to confer with a similar committee on the part of the Senate, on the disagreement of the two Houses, and that the appointment of such committee on the part of the Senate be respectfully requested;

Which motion prevailed.

The Speaker appointed as such committee, Messrs. Warner, Welch and Bond.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

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AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem.*

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Brockway asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for the afternoon.

Mr. Van Vleet moved that the committee on internal improvements be granted leave of absence for the afternoon;

Mr. Wells moved to amend the motion by including the joint committee on agriculture and education;

Which was accepted.

The motion, as amended, then prevailed.

The House resumed business under the order of

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 20, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to provide for the construction of certain roadways

and bridges on the line of the Allegan, Muskegon and Traverse Bay State road, and to authorize the consolidation of parts of the Allegan, Muskegon and Traverse Bay State road, with portions of the Manistee and Leland State road;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Miles moved that the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of House bill No. 25, being

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Port Huron;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Miles,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Morton moved to take from the table House bill No. 22 entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the relief, by counties, of the families of volunteers mustered from this State into the military service of the United States, or of this State, approved May 4, 1861, and to add certain sections thereto, approved January 17, 1862, by adding thereto another section, approved March 19, 1863;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Welch offered the following:

Whereas, By the courtesy of this House reporters for the

press are assigned seats under the implied expectation that such reports would be candid and impartial;

And whereas, The reporter of the Detroit Advertiser and Tribune, by his repeated unfair and unmanly reports, and his personal attacks upon the members and officers of this House, has forfeited the courtesy extended to him; therefore,

Resolved, That H. E. Baker, Esq., reporter of the Detroit Advertiser and Tribune, be and he is hereby expelled as reporter in this House;

Mr. Chipman moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Mr. M. D. Howard demanded the yeas and nays;

The demand was seconded, and the motion of Mr. Chipman prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Horton,	Mr. Osborn,
A. Allen,	M. D. Howard,	Packard,
G. W. Allen,	O. F. Howard,	Phillips,
Ball,	Jewell,	Pitts,
Bartow,	G. C. Jones,	Reed,
Beach,	Keeler,	Rowe,
Boies,	Kenney,	Sanderson,
Bond,	Landon,	Seymour,
Bonine,	Lewis,	Slocum,
Cady,	Luther,	L. Smith,
Chipman,	Maxwell,	Thayer,
Cobb,	McKay,	Utley,
Colwell,	McKernan,	Warner,
Copley,	Mickley,	Wendell,
Dunlap,	Miles,	Willits,
Dussean,	Monroe,	Woodman,
Fisher,	Morton,	Woodruff,
Forbes,	Munger,	Woodward,
Green,	Newcomb,	Yawkey,
Haire,	Nixon,	Speaker, <i>pro tem.</i>
Hawley,	Nowland,	62

NAYS.

Mr. Bayley,	Mr. Laing,	Mr. Thomas,
Camburn,	Mallory,	Welch,
Carlton,	Pack,	White,
Fellows,	Runyan,	Williams,
Graham,	Schars,	Winsor,
Jenness,	Taylor,	Woodworth, 18

Mr. Pitts offered the following:

Resolved, That there be printed for the use of the members and officers of this House, five thousand copies of the majority and minority reports of the special committee on elections;

Mr. Winsor moved to amend the resolution, by striking out "five thousand;"

Mr. Williams moved to strike out "five thousand," and insert "ten thousand" in place thereof;

The question being first upon striking out "five thousand;"

The motion did not prevail.

Mr. Monroe offered the following as a substitute for the resolution:

Resolved, That one thousand extra copies of the daily journal, containing the majority and minority reports of the special committee on elections, be ordered printed for the use of this House;

Which substitute was withdrawn;

The original resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Utley moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 121, entitled

A bill to amend section 14, of act number 16, of the session laws of the year 1864, entitled an act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming and rafting of logs;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Utley,

The bill was referred to a select committee of three.

The Speaker *pro tem.* appointed Messrs. Utley, Yawkey and M. D. Howard as such committee.

Mr. Yawkey moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 103, entitled

A bill to amend the charter of the city of East Saginaw;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Yawkey,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Morton offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on education be requested to inquire into the propriety and necessity of aiding in the support and education of children of deceased soldiers, in cases where they are left in a destitute condition;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Green offered the following:

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be instructed to procure the publication of two thousand copies of the three lectures lately delivered before the State Agricultural Society, in pamphlet form for the use of the members and officers of this House, and that the Sergeant-at-Arm be charged with and held responsible for the equal distribution of the same among the members and officers of the House;

Mr. Warner moved that the words "and officers" be stricken out of the resolution;

Which motion did not prevail.

The resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Green moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 165, entitled

A bill authorizing a war bounty loan;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was made the special order for the day.

Mr. Maxwell moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 87, entitled

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of a road, to be known as the Cass River and Bay City State road;

Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Reed moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Mason;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Reed.

The bill was recommitted to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. L. Smith gave notice that he would, on to-morrow move to reconsider the vote by which the House concurred in the Senate amendments to House bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing of a State road, to be known as the Ovid and St. Charles State road, and appropriating certain swamp lands for the construction of the same.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that the committee on engrossment and enrollment be, and they are hereby directed to report back to the House forthwith, House bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing a State road, to be known as the Ovid and St. Charles State road, and appropriating certain swamp lands for the construction of the same;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Wendell offered the following:

Resolved, That the Superintendent of the State Agricultural College be, and is hereby instructed to report to the House, as soon as practicable, the number of pupils at such school during the past year, (and the time each remained,) with their ages. Also, the number who have enlisted in the military service of the country since the war commenced, to what sub-districts they were credited, the amount of bounty paid or promised each, to whom such bounties were paid, and the present condition of said bounties, in case of the death of any such pupils or volunteer. Also, an abstract statement, showing the salaries (and perquisites, if any,) received by himself and the other professors, and all other persons employed by said institution since the first of January, 1864, and that the said Superintendent do set forth in said statement, as near as may be, the number of hours that each professor is employed, and the nature of the work. Also, the number of weeks the term lasted, and the number of pupils at the close of the term. Also, the gross amount of products of said farm, and how disposed of;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Monroe offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on internal improvements be instructed to take into consideration, and inquire what means, if any, is proper to be used to improve and develop the resources of vast wilderness in the northern part of the Lower Peninsula of this State; and also to inquire as to the propriety and good policy of appropriating a sum of money sufficient to defray the cost of collecting and removing to that wilderness for settlement, two thousand families or pioneers, and providing for their wants until they can sustain themselves, said families and pioneers to be collected and removed to said wilderness as fast as practicable;

Mr. Winsor moved to amend the resolution, by adding thereto the following:

“And to forever swamp said families under the Grand Rapids and St. Joseph railroad grant;”

Which was not agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Newcomb,

The resolution was referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Luther, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend sections 1 and 3, of an act to provide for the selection, care and disposition of the lands donated to the State of Michigan, by act of Congress, approved July 2d, A. D. 1862, for the endowment of colleges for the benefit of agriculture and the mechanic arts, approved March 18, 1863;

On motion of Mr. Luther,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Laing, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize the highway commissioners of the township of Sciota, in the county of Shiawassee, to appropriate the non-resident highway tax of said township, for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866, to build a bridge across the Looking Glass river, in said township.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Nowland, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to provide for the erection and maintenance of shutes for the passage of fish through the dams across the streams of this State;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. Nixon, previous notice having been given, and leave being granted, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the counties of Jackson and Eaton, and the cities and townships of such counties, and of Barry and Kent, the townships of Onondaga and Leslie, in Ingham county, and Leighton and Wayland, in Allegan county, to pledge their credit in aid of the construction of a railroad from Jackson to Grand Rapids, being act No. 67, session laws of 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. L. Smith, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill changing the name of the village of Pine River, in Gratiot county, to that of St. Louis.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. M. D. Howard, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section 250, of chapter 93, of the compiled laws, relative to justices' dockets.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. M. D. Howard, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to promote the incorporation of Reformed Protestant Dutch Churches.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Boies, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the

township of Medina, in the county of Lenawee, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Boies, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of Medina, in the county of Lenawee, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Boies, unanimous consent being given, introduced,

A bill legalizing the action of a special township meeting of the township of Rollin, in the county of Lenawee, held on the 15th day of December, 1864, in voting to raise money by tax to refund money loaned the inhabitants of said township to pay bounties to volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Boies, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section 1, of act No. 136, of the laws of 1863, being an act to authorize the Auditor General to refund money paid for taxes and on tax sales in certain cases, approved March 18, 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Fellows, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act relative to laying out, altering and discontinuing highways," being act No. 168, of session laws of 1861.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Slocum, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the different townships in Hillsdale county, in raising bounties for volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Slocum, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill legalizing the tax roll of the township of Wright, in the county of Hillsdale, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to prevent the killing muskrats during certain seasons of the year, in the counties of Saginaw and Bay.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on game.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to regulate the tolls on plank roads in Bay county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Chipman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize circuit courts in chancery to review, and alter or amend decrees allowing alimony.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Woodman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend an act to authorize the Auditor General to refund money paid for taxes, and on tax sales, in certain cases, approved March 18, 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Jewell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to organize the county of Grant.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. McKernan, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors, in the counties of the 12th judicial circuit, to appropriate money to defray the expense of holding courts in said circuit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Winsor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section 1 of an act entitled an act to lay out

and construct a road, to be known as the White Rock and Bingham State road, approved February 15, 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Winsor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of a road, to be known as the Port Hope and Wild Fowl Bay State road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Beach, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 20, and section 15, of chapter 21, and to repeal section 16, of chapter 21, of the compiled laws, relating to the assessment and collection of highway taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Monroe, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the payment of a uniform compensation to all persons who shall hereafter be drafted and mustered into the military service of the United States from this State, under any future call of the President of the United States for troops during the present war.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Warner, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to revive and continue in force, for a limited time, in the county of Oakland, the first five sections of "an act authorizing the payment of bounties to volunteers in the service of the United States," approved February 5, 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Warner, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 24, the same being section 1103, of the compiled laws, relative to the repair and reconstruction of bridges.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. G. C. Jones, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill legalizing the action of the board of supervisors of the county of Ontonagon, in issuing the bonds of the county to raise money for the payment of bounties to volunteers, and drawing the warrants of the county on the county treasurer for such bounties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS,

House bill No. 85, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to revise the charter of the city of Port Huron, approved Feb. 15, 1855,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Haire,
Hawley,

Mr. Hazen,
Horton,
O F. Howard,
Jenness,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Maxwell,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Pitta,

Mr. Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker pro tem.,

NAYS.

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Title agreed to

On motion of Mr. Miles,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 103, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of East Saginaw, approved February 15th, 1859, as amended by an act entitled an act to amend sections 1, 4 and 5, of title 2, and section 6, of title 4, and sections 5, 6, 7 and 10, of title 10; also by adding a section to said title, to stand as section 20; and sections 37, 38 and 40, of title 6, of an act to incorporate the city of East Saginaw, approved February 15th, 1859, approved February 20th, 1861,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Yawkey asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by inserting after the word "roll," in the thirteenth line of section seven, title five, the following: "and said city treasurer shall pay over to the treasurer of the board of education of said city, at least once in each week, all school moneys, and all moneys in said roll coming into his hands belonging to said board of education, and take his receipt therefor." And also, by inserting after the word "oath," in the sixth line of section eleven, title five, the following: "and filed with the county treasurer."

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the Senators elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,

Mr. Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,

Mr. Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Slocum,

Bonine,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Haire,
Hawley,
Hazen,

Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Miles,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,

L. Smith,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*,

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NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Yawkey,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

SPECIAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Luther,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the special order,

Mr. Lewis in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 165, entitled

A bill authorizing a war bounty loan;

Have made no amendment thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, and recommend its passage.

J. DENNISON LEWIS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Warner,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Seymour,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Tuesday, February 21, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Burgess.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Cady, Dort, Luther and Miles.

Mr. Mallary asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Cady, for the day.

Mr. Bond asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Dort, for the day.

Mr. Hawley asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day.

Mr. Seymour asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Luther, for the day.

Mr. Horton asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Miles, for the day, on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Munger: remonstrance of L. Ayers and 98 others, against the division of the county of Huron;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. G. C. Jones: remonstrance of the citizens of Delta county, against granting further extension of time to the Marquette and Ontonagon Railroad Company to construct their road;

Also: remonstrance of the citizens of Ontonagon county, against granting further extension of time to the Marquette and Ontonagon Railroad Company to construct their road;

Also: remonstrance of the citizens of Menominee county,

against granting further extension of time to the Marquette and Ontonagon Railroad Company to construct their road;

The several remonstrances were referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Pitts: memorial of Henry Paxton and 103 other citizens of the county of Monroe, against the passage of a law to prohibit the use of pound and trap nets for fishing purposes;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

By Mr. Nixon: petition of the citizens of the township of Delta, in Eaton county, in a town meeting of the citizens of the town of Delta, assembled, ask the law so amended to pledge their credit to aid in constructing a railroad from Jackson to Grand Rapids, in such a manner as to place all authority in reference to such pledge, wholly in the voice of the electors of each township;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Fellows: petition of Wm. Price, Orrin Snow, Charles H. Booth and 180 other citizens of the township of Oshtemo, in the county of Kalamazoo, asking the passage of an act to refund certain moneys loaned to pay bounties to volunteers;

Also: petition of Wm. M. Hale and others, for the same purpose;

Also: petition of Alonzo Winslow and others for the same purpose;

The several petitions were referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Horton: remonstrance of 176 citizens of the township of China, St. Clair county, against the division proposed by Senate bill No. 14;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Morton: memorial of Eli Cousins, of Lasalle, and 70 other citizens of Monroe county, against the passage of a law to prohibit the use of pound nets for fishing purposes, in the waters of this State;

Referred to the committee on fisheries.

By Mr. Rowe: petition of Elias Cowles, asking that his name may be changed to Elias Coles;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. Woodman; petition of E. Lakin Brown, E. S. Moore, E. B. Dyckman and others, asking for the passage of an act to aid in the construction of the St. Joseph Valley, Schoolcraft and Three Rivers Railroad, by authorizing the several townships in the counties of Kalamazoo, Van Buren, Allegan, Kent and Ottawa, to raise money to aid in the construction of the same;

Referred to the committee on internal improvements.

By Mr. McKernan: remonstrance of Jacob Houghton, agent of Bay State mine, A. A. Bennett, agent of St. Clair and Eagle River mines, Johnson Vivian, agent of the Phoenix mine, James Rezor, agent of the Boston mine, and eight other mining men; also, sixty other mining men in the mineral range in Keweenaw county, against making four new townships in said county;

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The remonstrance was referred to the committee on towns and counties, and ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the remonstrance:

To the Honorable the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, residents of the county of Keweenaw, respectfully represent, that they have received information that there has been brought before your honorable bodies, and urged for immediate and inconsiderate action, a bill for the alteration of the boundaries of the several townships composing the county of Keweenaw, viz: Copper Harbor, Eagle Harbor and Houghton, and the organization of four additional townships out of the territory at present included within the limits of said townships.

The general laws of this State prescribe the mode in which the alteration of the boundaries and the organization of new townships can be effected, upon the application of twelve freeholders to the board of supervisors of the county for that purpose; and we are fully persuaded that the reason the parties

who have projected this scheme marked out by the statutes, is be assent of the requisite number of consideration of the board of subject hatched in the dark, by a few are not identified with the general promote their own private views in the presence of the many, without any reference of the people whose interests are proposed change.

We hold that the existing townships interfere with the economical management of township and county affairs, which would impair the efficiency of the tax system.

That you may fully understand the situation of townships, geographically, we will divide the county into four hundredths of the population. Eagle Harbor and Houghton, which are twenty-five hundred respectively, are four miles square, and a common council include the entire population of each. The county is sparsely settled, and its settlements are other than either Eagle Harbor or Houghton, which does not exceed one township. It is two or three separate townships.

The maintenance of four additional townships would add vastly to the aggregate of local concerns, thus increasing the need of retrenchment rather than increase. It is needed to enable us to meet other needs. The population is so centralized that additional townships cannot serve the public convenience; and the difficulty now experienced to secure the necessary funds to discharge the duties of the several townships would be almost impossible to

organizations, if the present territory is erected into the unnatural and inconvenient divisions proposed.

As tax-payers, then, whose interest it is to keep our taxes at as low an ebb as possible, consistent with the public interest; as citizens who do not feel that our interests or convenience will be promoted, but rather prejudiced by the proposed change, we trust that the wisdom of your honorable bodies in taking no action that shall be detrimental to the vital interests of our people: we therefore respectfully but earnestly remonstrate against the passage of said bill, and shall ever pray.

Richard Mere, Agent Madison and Petherick Mines,

John S. Densmore,

Hugh Peoples,

James Pryor, Agent Boston Cop. Co.,

Johnson Vernon, Agt. Phoenix Copper Co.,

Thomas Whitelam, Surface Captain, Phoenix Mines,

Chas. G. Rudden, Ast. Clk.,

John Berryman,

Stephen L. Prince,

John C. Corwin,

Joseph Bleser,

F. E. Taylor, Surface Agent, Bay State,

Jacob Houghton, Agt. Bay State Mine,

John Bath, Mining Captain, St. Clair and Eagle River Mining Co.,

Chas. H. Sprague, Clk. St. Clair and Eagle River Mining Co.,

Samuel Pope,

Charles Broker,

Wm. Webb, Mining Capt.

Phoenix Mine,

Joseph Vivian, Mining Captain, Phoenix Mine,

Jos. Paull, Agent Atlas Mining Co.,

Wm. VanLah,

John Benney,

Christian Peterson,

Wm. Montgomery,

Wm. VanOrden.

Peter Steoh,

Stephen Kunkle,

J. P. Boland,

John Othy,

Oliver Udell,

John Coad,

T. Jahnig,

James Letcher,

A. Williams,

H. S. Coyne,

Will Carnsew, Mining Captain, Bay State,

Nicholas Forman,	William W. Wram, Asst. Cap-
Antoine Banah,	tain, Bay State,
Ernst F. Hertz,	John Hicks,
Henry Jacobs,	James Harris,
Otto Walter,	Rich Wran,
A. A. Bennett, St. Clair	John Ennor,
Mine and Eagle River	Will Pope,
Mining Co.,	Thomas Blee,
Thomas Thomas,	James Carnsew,
Fabian Guenyon,	Ernst Rossberry,
Wm. Schymaer,	Mich. Powers,
Walter Chubb,	James Pedelty,
Moses Gebore,	Will Boortle
Patrick McGuire,	James Richards,
John Callow,	Nicholas Hamicman,
Wm. Northey,	F. Freiss,
Thomas Callow,	Thomas Smithson,
John Taberac,	John Webb.

By Mr. McKernan: remonstrance of A. B. Wood, William Bailey, R. J. Wood, D. D. Brookway, mining agents; also, 20 other leading mining men of Copper Harbor, against the division of Keweenaw county into four new townships;

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The remonstrance was referred to the committee on towns and counties, and ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the remonstrance:

To the Hon. the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

Your remonstrants, citizens of the township of Copper Harbor, in the county of Keweenaw, respectfully represent:

That they have been informed, and have good reason to believe, that a petition has been recently presented to your honorable body, asking for a legislative enactment which shall subdivide the territory of the township of Copper Harbor into two or more townships. Assuming this to be true, your remonstrants beg leave to submit for your consideration the following facts relative to such petition:

The said petition has been drawn up and forwarded to you without the knowledge or concurrence of a single *freeholder* of the township of Copper Harbor; the said petition is not signed by a single resident freeholder of Copper Harbor township; the division of the township of Copper Harbor is not desired by one resident freeholder of said township, and the resident freeholders of said township are unanimous in deprecating any division of the township of Copper Harbor, as prejudicial to the present and detrimental to the future interests of the township of Copper Harbor and the county of Keweenaw.

Wherefore, your remonstrants beg that you will abstain from legislating a division of said township; and your remonstrants will ever pray, &c.

D. D. Brockway,
 Geo. W. Perry,
 Theo. Williams,
 D. M. Breg,
 D. S. Child,
 John B. Stoutenbough,
 Charles M. Evans,
 George W. Fernon, clerk
 Girard Mine,
 Archibald McDonald, Agent
 Hanover Mine,
 Sam'l I. Sloan,
 A. B. Wood, Mine Agent
 Resolute, Mendon, Michigan and Girard Mining
 Companies,
 Wm. Bailey, Agent Philadelphia and Boston Mine,
 Daniel Plummer, Mining
 Agent,
 A. W. Hunter,

John Mooney,
 Danell McDonell,
 Signor A. Ferrells,
 William Tresise,
 B. W. Canady,
 Richard Mathews,
 Joseph Turrell,
 Thomas Jackson,
 Henry Selby, Agent State
 Mine,
 Henry Letcher, Agent Reliance Mine,
 Thos. S. Williams,
 P. P. Hitchcock,
 W. W. Henderson, Agent
 Empire Mine,
 William R. Perry,
 Edward Guilbault, Esq.,
 Chas. M. Christian,
 John Butter,
 Oh. Haffele,

R. J. Wood, Agent *Etna* Mine,
 M. Demeupe,
 Henry Olow,

Peter E. Cadue,
 Mathew Collins,
 John Gill-

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred the petitions of James S. Hastings, C. F. Mitchell and 85 others of Hillsdale county; also of E. Clark and 18 others of Washtenaw county, all asking for the passage of a law to increase the fees of county registers,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The petitions were laid on the table.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to locate, establish and erect a branch of the State Prison in the Upper Peninsula,

Have had the same under consideration, and have instructed their chairman to present the following as the views of the committee upon the subject before them:

From the information presented, your committee have become fully impressed with the importance of the provisions of the bill. The unquestioned fact that the prevention and punishment of crime is of the first importance to a community, without the means of which no State could long exist. Society, property and the public peace all alike depend upon the safeguards that ought to be provided for its prevention and punishment.

Experience has demonstrated that the best modes of preven-

tion is the sure and undoubted means of punishment. Without these means, laws to punish crime would be of little or no avail. The principle of rewards and punishment is the true basis upon which all laws for the restraining and governing of men are founded.

Section 8, of article 19, of the constitution provides that "the State Prison may be removed from Jackson to the Upper Peninsula."

As the bill does not contemplate such a change, reference is only made to the section, to show that the subject of a Prison in the Upper Peninsula, had been mooted in the convention that formed our present Constitution; that body no doubt had the subject under serious consideration, and had that provision provided for a branch of the prison, instead of its removal, there would have been less ambiguity in the meaning and intent, than in the language as therein expressed. Your committee are clearly of the opinion that there is no written or implied objection in that provision to the establishment of a branch prison at some point in the Upper Peninsula. The question then arises, shall it be established, and if so, when? Do the necessities of the case demand it at this time? Are the finances of the State in a condition to afford the necessary appropriations for the object contemplated in the bill?

Your committee are of the opinion that it should be the policy of the State to establish a branch prison at some eligible point in the Upper Peninsula, to be located by a commissioner or commissioners, appointed by the Governor for that purpose; upon this point your committee is a unit; upon the question of when this should be done, your committee are not agreed.

The difference in the views of the committee arose from their being unable to agree upon the question of the necessity of the requirement, and the inability of the State to undertake an enterprise of this importance in the present state of the finances and the unsettled condition of the country.

Your committee are not unmindful that it is better to be over-provided with the means of punishment than to fall short

of so important a consideration, and that perhaps the spectacle of two empty prisons might have the effect to deter more of the wicked and unruly from committing crime than one full one.

The real merits of this question, however, aside from all other considerations, is the difficulty under which the people of the Upper Peninsula labor in regard to criminals. Deprived, as they are, during a large portion of the year, from all or nearly all direct intercourse with the lower portion of the State, they are compelled from necessity, to let many of their criminals run at large, rather than be at the expense of securing and keeping them in the insecure and temporary jails, such as are usually to be found in new counties, from which cause many of the convicted cases it is impossible to hold until the means of sending them to the Penitentiary are open to them.

Your committee fully appreciate the hardships under which the authorities of the Upper Peninsula labor, in maintaining a proper administration of justice.

The inconveniences and delays which have to be submitted to in conveying convicts to the present State Prison, after the close of navigation on the lakes, requiring a long and tedious trip through the territory of several different States, impose hardships and impediments on the proper administration of justice, from which they ought to be relieved.

And while your committee would gladly see some plan of relief to the authorities adopted, still, under the present state of public affairs, while the financial resources of the State are called upon for such heavy expenditures, which must be met and cannot be evaded, they are led to doubt the expediency of such an undertaking as that contemplated in the bill before them.

With this state of undoubted facts existing, your committee are clearly of the opinion that if the present Legislature do not act favorably upon this bill, some future one will.

The necessities and wants of the territory embraced and to be

affected by this bill are too vast and important to be overlooked, but it is clear that they (as have the older portions of the State,) must wait if not now provided for, until justice, enlightened policy, and their full demands can be complied with.

But, fully believing that the establishment of a branch prison in that part of the State would be a great aid in the administration of justice, your committee would respectfully ask to report the bill back to the House without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred Joint resolution asking the government of the United States for an appropriation of money for the improvement of the harbor of White river, in Muskegon county, and also for the building of a light-house at the same place,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROCKWAY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on federal relations:

The committee on federal relations, to whom was referred certain resolutions of the board of supervisors of the county of Wayne,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to

the House, and recommend that the prayer of the petitioners be not granted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

W. H. BROCKWAY, *Chairman*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Yawkey,

The resolutions were laid on the table.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred the petition of G. F. Case and 25 other citizens of Montcalm county, praying the erection of a new township,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have instructed me to report that, in their opinion, the prayer of the petitioners should not be granted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The petition was laid on the table.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred the petition of Seth Beals and 59 others, praying that the townships of Pierson, Winfield, and Maple Valley, may be taken off from the county of Montcalm, and annexed to the county of Newaygo,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report that, in their opinion, the prayer of the petitioners should not be granted, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Camburn,

The petition was laid on the table.

By the committee on towns and counties:

The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

A bill to detach the county of Clare from the county of Isabella, and to attach the same, for certain purposes, to the county of Mecosta,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Camburn,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on harbors:

The committee on harbors, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the improvement of White river, in town 12, north of range 17 west, in the county of Muskegon;

Also: a petition relative to the same subject,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

SAM'L W. YAWKEY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on internal improvements:

The committee on internal improvements, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 26, being

A bill to confer an additional grant of public lands upon the Grand Rapids and Indiana Railroad Company,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and the majority of said committee have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment recommending that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

JAMES VAN VLEET, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill entitled an act to enable holders of lands within this State to perpetuate testimony relative to their lands,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying substitute back to the House, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. G. W. Allen,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 6 of an act entitled an act supplementary to an act entitled an act to authorize the formation of mining companies so as to allow companies to diminish their capital stock, in certain cases,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to amend section 17, of chapter 67, being section 1961 of the compiled laws, relative to rates of fare on short railroads,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on mines and minerals:

The committee on mines and minerals, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 65, entitled

A bill to amend sections 3 and 4 of an act entitled 'an act to establish and regulate a mining school in the Upper Peninsula,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on engrossment and enrollment:

The committee on engrossment and enrollment, report back to the House without action thereon, House bill No. 59, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State road, to be known as the Ovid and St. Charles State road, and appropriating certain swamp lands for the construction of the same.

O. H. FELLOWS, *for the Committee.*

On motion of Mr. Munger,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

By the committee on State Prison:

The committee on the State Prison, to whom was referred the petition of Charles G. Davis and twenty-two others, asking the passage of a law to authorize the Inspectors of the State Prison to allow to Charles G. Davis and to Erastus B. Fuller part of their actual losses sustained upon certain contracts to furnish beef and flour, for the use of the convicts in the State Prison, from December 1st, 1863, to December 1st, 1864, and also joint resolution, entitled

A joint resolution authorizing the Inspectors of the State Prison to allow to Charles G. Davis and to Erastus B. Fuller part of their actual losses upon contracts to furnish beef and flour for the use of the convicts in the State Prison, from December 1st, 1863, to December 1st, 1864,

Have considered the same and respectfully beg leave to report, that on or about the first day of October, 1863, the said Davis and Fuller entered into contracts with the agent of the State Prison, whereby the said Davis was to furnish beef for the use of the convicts, for one year upon and after December 1, 1863, at and for three and one-fourth cents per pound; and said Fuller was to furnish flour, during the same time, at and for the sum of three and one-half cents per pound. That, as your committee are informed, said contracts have been faithfully fulfilled and performed on the part of said contractors, whereby they claim to have lost a large sum of money, owing to the great rise in the price of beef and flour within the past year. Your committee believe that said parties have sustained a large loss, and equably are entitled to consideration and remuneration from the State.

In times when it is impossible for human discernment to foresee or apprehend a change in the prices of all staple articles of consumption like that which has taken place within the past year, it seems unjust and hard to hold parties to the strict terms of a contract not made in view or expectation of such an increase in prices. We think "live and let live" a fair motto for the State, as well as for individuals. But while your

committee would most cheerfully recommend that these parties be recompensed, in part at least, for their losses, they feel that they cannot do so unless they shall be satisfied that that provision of the State Constitution which says "the Legislature shall not grant and authorize extra compensation to any public officer, agent or contractor after the service has been rendered or the contract entered into," does not apply to cases of this character. Not regarding it as incumbent upon them to settle constitutional or legal questions, they have instructed me to report the petition and the joint resolution back to the House without recommendation.

W. S. WILCOX, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved to lay the petition and joint resolution on the table;

Which motion was withdrawn.

Mr. Woodman moved that the petition and joint resolution be referred to the committee on ways and means;

Mr. Brockway moved to amend the motion by striking out the words "ways and means," and inserting the word "judiciary" in lieu thereof;

Which amendment was accepted.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The petition and joint resolution were laid on the table.

By the committee on war bounties:

The committee on war bounties, to whom was referred House bill No. 22, the same being

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the relief, by counties, of the families of volunteers mustered from this State into the military service of the United States, or of this State, approved May 4, 1861, and to add certain sections thereto, approved January 17, 1862, by adding thereto another section, approved March 19, 1863,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the

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MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker *pro tem.* announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 21, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following joint resolution:

Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution relative to the payment to the American Express Company of the value of certain coupons lost by them;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Mallary moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of Senate bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Jonesville, in the county of Hillsdale, to borrow money for the purposes therein mentioned;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Dusseau offered the following:

Resolved, That hereafter no mail shall be distributed in the House, nor shall any newspapers or other matter foreign to the business of the House, be read within its bar during the sessions thereof.

Mr. Bond moved to lay the resolution on the table;

Which motion did not prevail.

The resolution was not adopted.

Mr. Horton offered the following:

Whereas, The water in Lake St. Clair is now lower by about three feet than at the time of dredging the St. Clair flats;

And whereas, Observations of the past show that a still greater fall of the water of said lake is likely to take place in the next two years, thereby making the navigation of that great thoroughfare to the larger class of vessels engaged in the carrying trade, almost impossible, or at least very unprofitable to their owners;

And whereas, The great and important interests engaged in the carrying trade, depend to a great extent upon easy and certain navigation of this thoroughfare of commerce, which interests the citizens of this State alike with those of our sister States of the West;

And whereas, It is indispensable to the commercial interests not only of the State, but to those of the entire West, that said St. Clair flats be deepened and placed in a condition that will make them navigable to all classes of vessels engaged in the extensive commerce of the entire lakes; therefore

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That our Senators in Congress are hereby instructed, and our Representatives are hereby requested, to use all honorable means to secure the passage of a bill appropriating such sum of money as is necessary to deepen the south channel on St. Clair flats to a depth that there shall be thirteen feet of water, in said channel, at low water mark.

Resolved, That the Governor be and he hereby is requested to transmit a copy of this preamble and resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Laid on the table for one day, under the rules.

Mr. Seymour moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 113, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the village of Lowell, in the county of Kent, for the years 1862, 1863 and 1864;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Seymour,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Green moved to take from the table House bill No. 105, entitled

A bill to punish the recruiting of men for the volunteer service of other States;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Schars, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to change the name of Amandas Vandandrische, of Conner's Creek, Wayne county, to Amandas Vandriess, and of Lewis Vandandrische, of Corunna, Shiawassee county, to Lewis Vandriess.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Newcomb, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize the township of Ridgeway, in the county of Lenawee, to issue bonds, and to levy and collect a tax for the payment thereof.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Warner, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize a war bounty loan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section one, of act No. 227, of the session laws of 1868.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Rowe, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize any of the towns or other municipalities, incorporated or otherwise, in the counties of Oakland, Livingston, Wayne and Washtenaw, to pledge their credit to aid in the construction of a railroad, to commence at the village of Holly, in the county of Oakland, thence extending southward, to some point on the Michigan Central railroad.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Slocum, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize the township board of the town of Somerset, to raise money, by tax, to refund money subscribed and paid by citizens of said township, for bounties to volunteers, to fill the quota of said township, under the call of the President of the United States, of July last, for five hundred thousand men.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Slocum, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Wright, Hillsdale county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Winsor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill imposing a specific tax upon the circulation of the national banks in this State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Winsor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill imposing a specific tax on the gross receipts of telegraph companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Winsor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize the Governor to appoint a commissioner for a certain State road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Winsor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill imposing a specific tax on the gross receipts of express companies.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Woodman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize the townships of Kalamazoo, Van Buren, Allegan, Kent and Ottawa counties to aid in extending the Schoolcraft and Three Rivers railroad from Schoolcraft to Allegan and to Grand River.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Bond, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to establish a board of public works in and for the city of Detroit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Cobb, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section 24, of act 164, of the session laws of 1859, as amended by act No. 120, of the session laws of 1861,

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Seymour, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize certain abstracts, in Kent county, making them prima facie evidence of the facts therein stated.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Van Vleet, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of townships and the city of Flint, in the county of Genesee, in raising bounties for volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Boies, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill appropriating certain State swamp lands for the building and improvement of the Meridian Line road, from the village of Hudson, in Lenawee county, to the State line between Ohio and Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Reed, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Lansing.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Wendell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for assessing property in certain cases, any time between the first day of May and the first day of October, and for the more speedy collection of taxes in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Haynes, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize the township board of the town of Coldwater, Branch county, to issue bonds for paying bounties to volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. J. H. Jones, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of all the townships and the city of Coldwater, in the county of Branch, in raising bounties for volunteers, in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. O'Grady, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to change the name of Edgar C. Yates to Edgar C. Dibble.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Yawkey, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend act No. 50, entitled "An act to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp land, by means of a road to be known as the East Saginaw and Junction State road," approved February 5, 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Welch, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize the Commissioner of the State Land Office to convey certain lands to Cinthy Joshlin.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Keeler, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of certain towns in Cass county in paying bounties to volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. Wendell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to allow the President of each incorporated village to be a member of the board of supervisors.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill creating the fourteenth judicial circuit.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Taylor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the township of St. Charles in Saginaw county, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Fellows, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the township of Oshtemo, in Kalamazoo county, in raising bounties for volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. G. C. Jones, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to change the time of holding the election for prosecuting attorney in the Upper Peninsula.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Graham moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 142, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to re-incorporate the village of Buchanan;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 165, entitled

A bill authorizing a war bounty loan,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Copley asked the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill, by inserting after the word "Michigan," in the 11th line of section 1, the following: "and the bonds issued under the provisions of this act, shall be exempt from taxation;"

Objected to by Mr. Green.

The bill was then passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Jewell,	Mr. Runyan,
A. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Sanderson,
G. W. Allen,	G. O. Jones,	Schars,
Bayley,	Keeler,	Seymour,
Ball,	Kenney,	Shier,
Beach,	Laing,	Slocum,
Boies,	Landon,	L. Smith,
Bond,	Lapham,	Stewart,
Bonine,	Lewis,	Taylor,
Brockway,	Mallary,	Thayer,
Camburn,	Maxwell,	Thomas,
Carleton,	May,	Utlej,
Chipman,	McKay,	Van Vleet,
Cobb,	McKernan,	Warner,
Colwell,	Mickley,	Welch,
Copley,	Monroe,	Wells,
Dunlap,	Morton,	Wendell,
Dussean,	Munger,	White,
Fellows,	Newcomb,	Wilcox,
Forbes,	Nixon,	Willits,
Graham,	Nowland,	Williams,
Green,	O'Grady,	Winsor,

Haire,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,

Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,
Rowe,

Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Green,

- By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 121, entitled

A bill to amend section fourteen, of act number sixteen, of the session laws of 1864, entitled "an act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming and rafting of logs,"

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Danlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Haire,

Mr. Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Mallory,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodman,

Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,

Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,

Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker pro tem,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Utley, -

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 22, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the relief, by counties, of the families of volunteers, mustered from this State into the military service of the United States, or of this State, approved May 4, 1861, and to add certain sections thereto, approved January 17, 1862, by adding thereto another section, approved March 19, 1863,

Was read a third time, and pending the taking of the vote on the passage thereof,

Mr. Woodworth asked and obtained the unanimous consent of the House to amend the bill by adding at the end thereof the following proviso:

"*Provided*, That in the county of Ingham no such sum shall be charged back to the city of Lansing, except the amount paid for relief to the families of such volunteers as shall be credited to the several wards of said city, or such men as shall have been drafted from said city;" also, to further amend the bill by adding the following proviso at the end thereof:

"*And provided further*, That no transfer of the families of volunteers in the county of Ingham, shall be made from one township to another, or from one ward to another, by supervisors, except upon the authority of a two-thirds vote of the board of supervisors;"

Pending the passage of the bill,

Mr. Graham moved that the House take a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock;

On motion of Mr. Horton,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Wednesday, February 22, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Burgess.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Miles asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day, on account of sickness.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Utley: petition of Elias O. Rose and 48 others, of Mecosta county, in relation to the land grants for the construction of railroads in the State of Michigan;

On motion of Mr. Utley,

The petition was referred to the committee on internal improvements, and ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the petition:

To the Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

This petition of the undersigned, citizens of the county of Mecosta, respectfully represents, that while the undersigned are truly grateful for the liberality which has characterized our legislators in securing grants of land, in aid of railroads in this State, they would seriously deprecate any and all legislation which would tend to keep from market that large and fertile tract of land, granted to the several railroad companies, for a longer period than that already contemplated by the act conferring the grant.

Your petitioners would respectfully pray, that your honorable body would confer with our Representatives in Congress, in order that such legislation may be had as that these lands may be subject to sale at a minimum price to actual settlers

only, and at such price as to insure their speedy sale, and that the proceeds be placed in the State Treasury, as a fund to aid in the construction of said railroads.

Dated January 20th, 1865.

By Mr. Winsor: petition asking that certain sections may be detached from the township of White Rock and attached to the township of Rock, in the county of Huron.

Also: petition of Edwin Lewis, Emil Bour and 26 others, asking for the organization of the county of Lincoln;

Also: petition of J. H. Waters and 20 others, asking for the organization of the county of Lincoln;

Also: petition of Eugene Grant and 20 others, asking for the organization of the county of Lincoln;

The several petitions were referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Rowe: petition of the township board of the township of Rose, in Oakland county, and 20 other electors of said township, asking a law legalizing their votes to pay bounties to drafted men and persons furnishing substitutes;

Referred to the committee on war bounties.

By Mr. Taylor: petition of Wm. Gallagher and 8 others, asking that School District No. 1, of the township of Spalding, be authorized to issue bonds to build a school-house;

Referred to the committee on education.

By Mr. Nixon: petition of John Dunning and 73 others, citizens and tax-payers of Unadilla, Livingston county, praying for an amendment of act No. 49, of the extra session laws of 1864;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Look: remonstrance of Byron G. Stout, O. F. Wisner, M. E. Crofoot, S. E. Beach, E. Bacon, J. L. Bradford, M. S. Brewer and 253 others, citizens of the city and township of Pontiac, against certain parts of House bill No. 163, being a bill to amend the charter of the city of Pontiac;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. G. C. Jones: remonstrance from citizens of Houghton

county, against extending the time to the Marquette and Ontonagon railroad, for the construction of the same;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. G. C. Jones: petition of the Mendota Mining Company and 6 other copper mining companies, and several individuals; also, of the Lac la Belle Harbor Improvement Company, for the organization of the township of Sibley and other townships, in Keweenaw county;

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones,

The petition was laid on the table, and ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the petition:

To the Legislature of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, owners of real estate, and representatives of mining companies owning lands within the territory proposed by House bill No. 52, to organize the township of Sibley, would respectfully represent to your honorable body, that although the original petition upon which the several bills before the House was based, was not signed by parties owning property in the present town of Copper Harbor, from which said township of Sibley is proposed to be set off, excepting S. W. Hill, yet we have from the first approved of and much desired the organization of such new township, as well as the other new townships now proposed to be organized in Keweenaw county, and have united in presenting the facts and reasons for such change to the committee of the House who reported said bills.

The undersigned, either as individuals or representatives of mining companies, represent the title to 17,500 acres of land within the territory proposed to be organized as the town of Sibley, and sensibly feel the inconvenience of the present organization of said township. At the Harbor of Lac la Belle, where it is expected the business of the mining companies we represent will concentrate, we are nine miles in a direct line from the village of Copper Harbor, where the

township business is done, and polls and town meetings are held, and without a road or even a trail to that place, except by going into an adjoining town on the west, and making a circuit of sixteen miles to reach that place, the interests of which are wholly diverse from our own; thus practically leaving our public affairs to be managed by those who are strangers to us.

The township of Copper Harbor contains thirty square miles at present, and will contain forty-eight square miles. The ships proposed to be made by it will contain forty-one square miles.

The present assessed valuation are confident from facts within or than \$1,200,000. The statement ing this valuation at \$777,000, is based upon the assessment of 18 county of Keweenaw was organization and business have about done in the statement of facts presented by committee on towns and counties.

Your petitioners therefore pray township of Sibley, and also the to, for organizing new townships become laws. And your petitioners

Mendota Mining Company, 1
by S. Mandlebaum, Acting Director,

Meteor Mining Co., by S. J. Mandlebaum, Director,
Simon Mandlebaum, 3,000 acres, 2

A. H. Sibley, by S. Mandlebaum, Att'y, 3,000 acres,

Bluff Mining Co., property
of S. Mandlebaum,
Lac la Belle Harbor Im-
provement Co., by S. Man-
dlebaum, President,

Pennsylvania Mining Com-
pany, by Joseph G. Hens-
zey, President,

Medora Mining Company
by Sam. W. Hill, as per
telegram from James M.
Cooper, Treas.

By Mr. G. C. Jones: petition of the Madison and other
mining companies, praying for the passage of a law for the
organization of four new townships in Keweenaw county;

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones,

The petition was laid on the table, and ordered printed in the
journal.

The following is the petition:

LANSING, February 21, 1865.

[BY TELEGRAPH.]

BOSTON, February 21, 1865.

To the Legislature of Michigan:

We respectfully petition for the passage of the bills now
before you, for the organization of four (4) new townships, in
Keweenaw county, in order that districts containing most of
the wealth and population of the county, can control their own
affairs, and we are opposed to taxing property for improve-
ment of harbor at Eagle Harbor.

Madison Mining Co., by	Copper Falls Mining Co.,
Fred. Beck, Treas.,	H. F. Harding, Treas.,
Humboldt Copper Co., by	St. Mary's Canal Mineral
Fred. Beck, Treas.,	Land Co., Horatio Bige-
Pethrick Mining Co., Win-	low, Land Agent,
throp Mining Co. and Da-	Luther W. Clark, President
na Mining Co., H. W.	Winthrop Mining Co.
Nelson, Treas.,	

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section
being "an act to authorize
paid for taxes and on
March 18, 1868,

Respectfully report the
consideration, and have discussed
the House, without an
pass, and ask to be discussed
the subject.

Report accepted and
The bill was ordered
the whole, and placed on
By the committee on
The committee on State
bill No. 75, entitled

A bill to prevent the
Portage rivers, in the case

Respectfully report the
consideration, and have discussed
the House, without an
pass, and ask to be discussed
of the subject.

Report accepted and
The bill was referred
placed on the general order
By the committee on
The committee on Senate
directing them to report
Senatorial and Representative
an arrangement with the
Senate, each committee
directly affecting their interests
ment, the bill for re-districting
reported to the Senate.
referred to them

A bill to apportion anew the Representatives among the several counties and districts of this State,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Graham,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 77, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the sale of swamp and primary school lands in the mineral range of the Upper Peninsula, heretofore withheld from market as mineral lands, approved March 19, 1863,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to amend a joint resolution for the relief of William Dingman, approved January 31st, 1865,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back

to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

Joint resolution in relation to the grant of lands made to the State of Michigan to aid in the construction of a certain railway,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of State roads and ditches, from Muir, in Ionia county, to the north line of Isabella county, approved February 3d, 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill granting swamp lands to the counties of Genesee and Shiawassee, to aid in cutting drains through a certain swamp in said counties,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on Asylum for Deaf, Dumb and Blind:

The committee on the Deaf, Dumb and Blind Asylum, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 81, entitled

A bill to amend section 6 of an act entitled an act making an appropriation in aid of the Asylum for the Deaf, Dumb and Blind, at Flint, approved February 12th, 1857,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

E. J. BONINE, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 5, of chapter 20, and section 15, of chapter 21, and to repeal section 16 of chapter 21, of the com-

piled laws, relative to the assessment and collection of highway taxes,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred a petition of K. R. Ferguson and 128 others, in relation to a State road in the county of Montcalm, and to appropriate certain non-resident highway taxes for the construction of the same, have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill for the construction of the Pierson and Pine river State road, in the county of Montcalm,

And recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to amend an act entitled an act relative to laying out, altering and discontinuing highways, being act No. 163, of session laws of 1863,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass,

and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 6, of chapter 24, the same being section 1103, of the compiled laws, relative to the repair and reconstruction of bridges,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to extend the time for the collection taxes in the township of Medina, in Lenawee county, for the year 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means ask leave to report the following bills:

A bill entitled a bill to provide for the interest on certain State loans;

Also,

A bill entitled a bill to provide for interest on the war loan;

Also,

A bill entitled a bill to provide an additional sum for the payment of members and officers of the Legislature for the year 1865;

Also,

A bill entitled a bill making appropriations for the salaries of the State officers, for the years 1865 and 1866;

Also,

A bill entitled a bill to provide a tax for the expenses of the State government;

Recommend their passage, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The several bills were read a first and second time by their titles, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the Asylum for the Insane:

The committee on the Asylum for the Insane, to whom was referred so much of the Governors' messages as relates to that institution, and who were authorized, with a like committee of the Senate, to visit the Asylum as a joint committee, have performed the duty assigned them, and directed me to offer the following joint report:

By the politeness of the officers of the institution, we were shown through every part of the Asylum proper, and out-buildings, and found everything highly satisfactory. Complete order and thorough cleanliness prevails in every part of the building. There is an appearance of comfort and quiet among the patients, which is surprising, considering the maladies with which they are afflicted. They have many sources of amusement, which must greatly conduce to their

restoration to health. Personal observation convinces us of the necessity of classification in different wards, according to the peculiar mental aberrations, and of the impossibility of receiving another patient into the institution, when the ward to which such patient properly belongs is full. The only way to furnish accommodations for more patients, is to finish the building. Even now, one of the most crowded wards is a wood building, fitted up for that purpose outside of and near the main building.

Your committee are unanimously of the opinion that the building should be finished without unnecessary delay. Considerations of public policy and economy, not less than philanthropy, demand it. Insanity is a curable disease under proper management, but very few persons ever recover without such treatment. Of recent or acute cases, about 80 per cent. recover under proper treatment; of chronic cases only 30 per cent. There are now many curable cases in the State, becoming permanently and hopelessly confirmed in this most dreadful malady, because we have not furnished the means for their cure. We shall pay dearly for our neglect, by entailing upon ourselves their life-long support. It must be remembered that only by public institutions can these persons be cared for. The proposition to let them remain in families has only to be stated to be condemned. We may not chain them in dungeons, as was formerly done, nor even confine them in cells, as has been done in our day. The progress of civilization shames the thought. A State institution, then, only remains as a proper place for the custody, care and cure of these unfortunate persons, and our State has well under way a model of the kind, the beauty and usefulness of which only lacks the enlightened policy and liberal dealing of this Legislature to make it complete. The applications for admittance amount to an average of about twenty per month. Of this number, not more than one in five can be admitted in the present condition of their room.

The financial condition of the institution will be seen, by

a reference to the biennial report upon our files, a careful examination of which is recommended. It will be seen that a deficiency in the expense account, of \$7,600, has occurred, and an extra expense of building a house for the engineer, of \$950, (\$8,550,) and they have brought in a bill appropriating that amount to pay this indebtedness, entitled

A bill making appropriations for the Michigan Asylum for the Insane.

It is estimated, that on account of the great advance in the price of labor and building material, \$98,000 more will be required to finish the north wing of the building, and we have accordingly brought in a bill providing for that sum.

Your committee are of opinion, that some portion of former appropriations have not been strictly applied to the purposes for which they were intended, and have so framed this bill as to prohibit such practice hereafter, deeming it better that the officers should ask specific appropriations for collateral objects.

E. STEWART, *Chairman in House.*

L. ALDRICH, *Chairman in Senate.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred four petitions asking for an amendment to act No. 67, of the session laws of 1864, entitled

“An act to authorize the counties of Jackson and Eaton, and the cities and townships of such counties, and of Barry and Kent, the townships of Onondaga and Leslie, in Ingham county, and Leighton and Wayland, in Allegan county, to pledge their credit in aid of the construction of a railroad from Jackson to Grand Rapids;”

Also, a bill for the same purpose, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the coun-

ties of Jackson and Eaton, and the cities and townships of such counties, and of Barry and Kent, the townships of Onondaga and Leslie, in Ingham county, and Leighton and Wayland, in Allegan county, to pledge their credit in aid of the construction of a railroad from Jackson to Grand Rapids, being act No. 67, of the session laws of 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the bill back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The petitions were laid on the table.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred resolutions passed by the board of supervisors of Livingston county, at the January session, 1865, relative to the plank road running from Detroit to Lansing,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and that they are of the opinion that the parties interested have their remedy in the courts where both parties can be heard, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The resolutions were laid on the table.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill entitled a bill to provide for the incorporation of associations engaged in the publication of periodicals, books and other matters,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was recommitted House bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Mason,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Reed,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to incorporate the village of Newport, St. Clair county, together with certain other territory, being described in this

bill as a body corporate and politic, to be known and designated by the name and title of the city of Marine City;

Also, the petition of D. Gallagher and 56 others, praying for the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and to say that with the number of their present and future population, a village incorporation would meet all their wants, and have directed me to report the following bill as a substitute for the bill referred to your committee, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Marine, in the county of St. Clair, and to define the boundaries thereof,

And to recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred the petition of Lorenzo Tabor, Richard Clegg, Josiah Bond, and 225 others, citizens of Lenawee county, complaining of the Adrian and Bean Creek Plank Road Company, as a public nuisance, declaring the charter forfeited, and praying that the same may be repealed,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying bill, entitled

A bill to repeal the charter of the Adrian and Bean Creek Plank Road Company,

Without recommendation, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred the petition of J. E. Egler, Joseph Otis, and 116 others, citizens of Marshall, praying that the city charter of the city of Marshall may be repealed; also, the remonstrance of Joseph C. Frink, C. P. Dibble, C. T. Gorham, and 152 others, citizens of Marshall, against the repeal of the charter of said city,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, and recommend that no action be taken in the premises, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The petition and remonstrance were laid on the table.

By the committee on fisheries:

The committee on fisheries, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the erection and maintenance of shutes for the passage of fish through the dams across the streams of this State,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. A. T. WENDELL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred the following resolution:

Resolved, That the committee on education be requested to inquire into the propriety and necessity of aiding in the support and education of children of deceased soldiers, in cases where they are left in a destitute condition,

Would respectfully report that they regard the matter set forth in the above resolution, as worthy of the serious and candid consideration of the Legislature.

Your committee are of the opinion that the time is rapidly approaching when the people of our State will demand that some action shall be taken, tending to aid in the support and education of the children of those whose fathers were slain on the field of battle, while defending the honor and flag of their common country.

In the opinion of your committee, some such action is due to the homeless orphans of our State.

While your committee are not prepared, at the present time, to recommend any definite plan to the Legislature for their specific action, they may be permitted to suggest to the House, that the Protestant and Catholic orphan asylums, located in the city of Detroit and other sections of our State, in the opinion of your committee, are deserving the sympathy and liberal support of the people of our State.

Such being the opinion of your committee, they would ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 27, of chapter 108, of the compiled laws;

Also,

A bill to authorize circuit courts in chancery to review and alter or amend decrees allowing alimony,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have, by and with the consent of parties, con-

solidated the said bills, and directed me to report the same back to the House, as consolidated, and recommend that the said bill, as so consolidated, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Van Vleet,

The House concurred in the adoption of the bill as reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 2, of act No. 136, of session laws of 1863,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors in the counties of the twelfth judicial circuit to appropriate money to defray the expense of holding courts in said circuit,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying substitute back to the House, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill appropriating money for the purchase of land for the Reform School,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying substitute to the House, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for assessing property in certain cases, at any time between the first day of May and the first day of October, and for the more speedy collection of taxes in certain cases,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying substitute back to the House, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Jenness,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

• A bill to amend section 250, of chapter 93, of the compiled laws, relative to justices' dockets,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and the majority of said committee have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommending that it do not pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

GEO. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The bill was laid on the table.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred a petition of Elias Cowles, asking that his name may be changed to Elias Coles,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, recommend that the prayer of the petitioner be granted, and have directed me to report the following bill, entitled

A bill to authorize Elias Cowles to drop a "w," so that his name shall be read "Elias Coles,"

And recommend that the said bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary.

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 24, of act 164, of the session laws of 1859, as amended by act No. 120, of the session laws of 1861;

Also,

A bill to change the name of Amandas Vandandrissche, of Conner's Creek, Wayne county, to Amandas Vandriss, and of Lewis Vandandrissche, of Corunna, Shiawassee county, to Lewis Vandriss;

Also,

A bill to change the name of Edgar C. Yates to Edgar C. Dibble;

Also,

A bill to change the time of holding the election for prosecuting attorney in the Upper Peninsula;

Also,

A bill changing the name of the village of Pine River, in Gratiot county, to St. Louis;

Also,

A bill to distribute the amounts received for the tax upon dogs, for the year 1864, among the several school districts, where the same was collected,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, recommending that the said bills do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

G. C. JONES, *for the Committee.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The several bills were referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on towns and counties:

• The committee on towns and counties, to whom was referred

A bill to organize the township of Frazer,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

WILLIAM BALL, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on banks and incorporation.

The committee on banks and incorporation referred the petition of M. F. Darrow and 10 and tax payers of the townships of Putnam Livingston county, asking that act No. 49 of 1864, may be amended, being the Detroit and road act,

Respectfully report that they have had the subject under consideration, and have directed me to report the same to the House with the accompanying bill, in accordance with the prayer of the petitioners, entitled

A bill to repeal section 8, and to amend section 9, entitled "An act to authorize the several townships and counties of Livingston, Oakland, Washtenaw and Wayne to pledge their credit, and the county of Livingston to tax or borrow money to aid in the construction of a road from some point near the city of Detroit, to Howell, in the county of Livingston,

And recommend that the bill do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

REPORTS OF SELECT COMMITTEES.

We the undersigned, two of the committee on the revision of the Constitution, to whom was referred the petition of W. Bliss and forty-four others, praying that deserters from the military service of this State or of the United States be disfranchised, would respectfully represent, that the joint committee have had the subject under consideration, and a majority of the said committee not being willing to take any action or make any recommendation in regard thereto, we, as a minority, beg leave to make the following report:

That while the subject is to us, as a people, practically a

new one, the principle of disfranchisement and outlawry is as old as the Christian Era, and has always been exercised by sovereign States as a punishment for treason and other crimes; and that while, as citizens, we may regret the necessity which compels us to lay the heavy hand of constitutional enactment upon those that were our brothers in the great family of American freemen, yet, as legislators, we can shrink from no duty which shall make more sacred the privileges of citizenship, and more binding the obligation which we owe to our country, to each other, to society and the brotherhood of man. We hold and exercise our political rights as individuals and as a people solely through a unity of purpose and a unity of action; a unity of purpose, in forming and moulding our political theory and political institutions to suit the progress of governmental ideas, in conformity to the public will; and a unity of action, in perpetuating and defending those ideas and institutions, both as against foes at home and foes abroad; and he who, in the hour of his country's misfortune or imminent peril, shall throw off his manhood and shirk his share of individual and national suffering and defense, lays down the birthright of the citizen, and parts with the dearest privileges which citizenship can confer. The man that will not defend his country, should find no defense within her borders. The man that will not protect his national flag when an enemy seeks to lower it in dishonor, should beneath that flag, find no protection. Treason always seeks to excuse itself, but in the light and glow of this nineteenth century it cannot be excused; and the man that leaves the State of Michigan, to avoid his share of military service in the armies of the State or nation, should leave behind him no right or political privilege to which he might return.

Entertaining these views, and feeling that past experience and the exigencies of the times demand immediate and fearless action on the part of the people and the State, we therefore report the accompanying joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution to disfranchise
section to Art. 7 of the Constitution

Recommend its passage, and as
further consideration of the subject

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Report accepted and committee disc

The joint resolution was read a first
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MESSAGES FROM THE SEN

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Lansing, Feb

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to tran
the following bill:

Senate bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to amend section 2 of an act entitled ‘
to burying grounds,” approved February 12, 1
being section 1718 of the compiled laws;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority v
Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all
elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and its
concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLE

Secretary of the

The bill was read a first and second time by its title,
ferred to the committee on State affairs.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,

Lansing, February 21, 1865.

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the Ho
the following bill:

House bill No. 48, entitled

A bill to legalize the action of certain townships, cities and counties, in raising bounties for volunteers;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended said bill as follows:

1. By inserting in the 3d line of section 1, after the word "township," the words "or city;" also by inserting in the 9th line of section 1, after the words "United States," the words "who enlisted and were mustered into such service before the fourth day of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-five."

2. By inserting in the 6th line of section 2, after the word "substitute," the words "if such person or persons volunteer or were drafted, and mustered into such service before the fourth day of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-five."

3. By inserting in the 6th line of section 3, after the words "United States," the words, "before the fourth day of February, eighteen hundred and sixty-five."

Also, by striking out the proviso attached to section 3, and inserting in lieu thereof the following: "*Provided*, No bonds or other evidences of indebtedness of any township, city or county mentioned in sections 1, 2 and 3, of this act, shall be held legal or valid, (where the issue of the same has not been authorized by a vote of the electors of such municipal corporation) until the question of their payment shall be authorized by a vote at an annual or special meeting, called and held regularly, and on due notice of the electors of the municipality, issuing such evidences of indebtedness."

4. By striking out section 4, and inserting to stand in lieu thereof, the following:

"Sec. 4. The township board of any township, and the common council of any city in this State, shall have the power to raise by tax upon the taxable property of such township or city, or by loan, such sums as may be necessary for the payment of money borrowed or advanced, by any township, ward or city officer or officers, or by a committee informally authorized to act for such township, ward or city, and have at the time of

making such loan, pledged the faith of the township or city, or received the informal pledge of the township or city at the time of making such advances, to refund the same. That township or city shall be authorized by law so to do, always. That all such moneys shall have been advanced for the purpose only of paying bounties on volunteers who have enlisted and been mustered into the naval service of the United States, and been assessed as a quota of such township or city prior to the 4th of July, A. D. 1865: *Provided further*, That the provisions of this act shall not apply to, or authorize the payment of moneys borrowed or advanced, to pay bounties on any call for volunteers made prior to July 18th, 1865.

5. By inserting the following to stand as section

"Sec. 5. Before any moneys shall be raised by tax, as provided by section four of this act, the electors of such township or city shall, at the annual or some special meeting called for that purpose, determine by vote the amount to be raised, and whether the same shall be raised by tax or by loan. In case the money shall be raised by tax, the tax shall be levied and collected the same as ordinary township or city taxes are levied and collected. In case such money shall be raised by loan on the bonds of such township, they shall be signed by the supervisor and clerk thereof, and shall draw a rate of interest not to exceed seven per cent., and to run not to exceed three years from their date, and if such money shall be raised by loan on the bonds of such city, said bonds shall be signed by the mayor and recorder, or clerk thereof, and shall draw interest not to exceed seven per cent, and to run not to exceed three years from their date; and the township board of such township, and the common council of such city, issuing such bonds, shall have power, and it shall be their duty from time to time, to raise by tax such sum or sums as shall be necessary to pay the amount of such bonds, and the interest thereon, as fast as the same shall become due."

6. Sec. 6. By striking out the figure 5 in the first line of section five, and inserting in its place the figure 6;

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate

Mr. Warner moved to amend the Senate amendment to the proviso added to section three of the bill, by inserting between the words "township" and "city," the word "or," and by striking out the words "or county;"

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The bill was laid on the table, and ordered printed, as amended by the Senate.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES

Mr. Boies moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Medina, in the county of Lenawee, for the year 1864;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Horton offered the following:

Whereas, By the direct and excise tax law of the United States, all sail vessels are taxed two and a-half per centum on their gross earnings;

And whereas, Sail vessels are liable to pay the still further sum of five per centum on their net earnings, thereby paying upon their net earnings twice over, and in case of actual loss, as is frequently the case with vessel interest, paying excise tax upon that which is not real but fictitious value; therefore,

Be it Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That our Senators in Congress are hereby instructed, and our Representatives are hereby requested, to use all honorable means to secure the repeal of such act or part of act as provides for the taxing or collection of excise tax upon sail vessels' gross earnings upon our inland lakes.

Resolved, That the Governor be and he hereby is requested to transmit a copy of this preamble and resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress.

Laid on the table for one day, under the rules.

Mr. Horton offered the following:

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That our Senators in Congress are hereby instructed, and our Representatives are hereby requested, to use all honorable means to secure the change of the name of Bell River P. O., Mich., St. Clair county, town of Cottrellville, to that of Marine City;

Laid on the table for one day under the rules.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved to take from the table House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend section 200, of chapter 93, of the compiled laws, relative to justices dockets;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The bill was recommitted to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Wendell offered the following:

Whereas, It being publicly reported by citizens of Lansing, that the title to certain lands occupied by the Agricultural State College is imperfect, and that a certain citizen of Lansing holds a State tax title to 160 acres of said farm, therefore,

Resolved, That the Attorney General of the State be and he is hereby requested to investigate the matter, and report an abstract of title to this House;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Boies offered the following:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, (the Senate concurring,) That on this anniversary of the birth-day of the

father of his country, the thanks of this Legislature, and through us, of the people of the State, are hereby tendered to the soldiers of Michigan, who promptly responded to the call of their country in its time of peril, and who, by their fortitude and soldierly bearing, under the privations and hardships of a soldier's life, "in camp and field, through march and siege," and by their indomitable bravery and heroism on scores of battle-fields, have won exalted honor to themselves, and crowned with unfading glory the name and fame of Michigan.

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Clerk of this House be, and he is hereby requested, to forward a copy of the foregoing resolution to each of the regiments and batteries of Michigan soldiers now in the field.

On motion of Mr. Dort,

The rules were suspended, and the concurrent resolution was unanimously adopted.

Mr. Monroe offered the following:

Whereas, News has arrived by telegram, and it has been announced to this House by the Speaker *pro tem.*, that the city of Charleston, in South Carolina, the seat and hot-bed of secession and treason, has been evacuated by the rebels, and has fallen into the possession of the brave men who compose our victorious armies; therefore

Resolved, That while we regret and deeply deplore the stern necessity which required the going forth of our fathers, brothers and sons, to meet the shock of war, and to battle for the flag and the maintenance of the Union, still we receive the intelligence with hearts full of thankfulness to Almighty God for this great success of our arms.

Resolved, That we, as the Representatives of the people of the State of Michigan, do now for ourselves, and in behalf of the people of the State of Michigan, express our gratitude and tender our unfeigned thanks to the brave men who compose the armies of these United States, and who, on many a well fought field, amid the terrific scenes of war, have main-

tained their bravery and heroic gallantry, displayed their patriotism in sustaining the majesty and the supremacy of the Constitution and laws, and preserving the integrity and honor of the nation.

Resolved, That the intelligence now received of the fall of the city of Charleston, and consequently of the recovery of Fort Sumter, should call forth from every loyal citizen, and from every friend and lover of the United States, expressions of gratitude, thankfulness, and joy; that this is a fit occasion for rejoicing, and we do rejoice.

Resolved, That the many great successes and victories, recently achieved by our invincible armies over the rebel enemies of our country, seem to indicate, that the unnatural civil strife, this cruel, unholy and unjustifiable war; cruel, unholy, and unjustifiable, and without excuse or palliation on the part of the rebels, is drawing to a close; that their strength is broken, their resources exhausted, and their name and their cause fast becoming a reproach and a by-word among the nations of the earth.

Resolved, That the people of the State of Michigan will continue to stand by and support her brave men in the field, and their families, their wives, their children, and their loved ones at home, until this wicked strife shall have ended, the war-cloud passed away, and peace and union once more return to bless our country.

Mr. M. D. Howard requested the yeas and nays on the adoption of the resolutions;

The resolutions were adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,

Mr. Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,

Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O F. Howard,
Jenness,

Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,

Stewart,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*,

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NAYS.

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Mr. Warner moved to take from the table House bill No. 7,
being

A bill to amend section 364 of the compiled laws, relative to
the compensation of the members of the board of supervisors;
Which motion prevailed.

The question being upon the passage of the bill,

Mr. Warner asked and obtained the unanimous consent of
the House to amend the bill, by inserting in line 2, of section 3
thereof, after the word "dollars," the words "and fifty cents;"
and also by adding at the end of said section the following pro-
viso: "*Provided*, No more than one day shall be estimated
during any single period of twenty-four hours;"

The bill was then read a third time and not passed, a ma-
jority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas
and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Cady,

Mr. Newcomb,
Osborn,
Pack,
Pitts,

Mr. Warner,
Welch,
White,
Wilcox,

Copley,
Fellows,
Fisher,
M. D. Howard,
Keeler,
Mallory,

Reed,
Schars,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Utley,

Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,

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NAYS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Hazen,
Horton,

Mr. O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,

Mr. Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Packard,
Phillips,
Rowe,
Sanderson,
Seymour,
Slocum,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Van Vleet,
Wells,
Wendell,
Willits,
Williams,

Mr. Woodward moved to discharge the
from the further consideration of Senate

A bill to authorize school district No
Pulaski, in the county of Jackson, to issue

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Woodward,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Hazen unanimous consent being given,

A bill to legalize the township bonds, order
debt issued by the township board of any to
the county of St. Clair, to pay war bounties.

The bill was read a first and second time
referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Hazen, unanimous consent being given,

A bill to provide for the completion of the Capac and Clyde State road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. J. H. Jones, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of the county of Branch to alter and amend the boundaries of the village of Quincy, in said connty.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. J. H. Jones, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section 3215, of the compiled laws, relative to fees of county clerks for recording marriage certificates.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. W. T. Smith, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to organize the military forces of the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. W. T. Smith, unanimous consent being given, introduced,

A bill to authorize the townships of Sherman, White Pigeon, Sturgis, Motteville, Fawn River and Burr Oak, in the county of St. Joseph, to refund money paid and expenses incurred in the enlistment of men in said townships.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Jenness, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of townships in the county of Lapeer, in raising bounties for volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Woodman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to amend an act to organize the Michigan Asylum for the Insane, and more effect-

ually to provide for the care, maintenance and support of the "Insane," approved March 11th, 1871.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on Insane.

Mr. Mickley, unanimous consent being given.

A bill to legalize the action of certain Justices of the Peace in Lenawee county in raising bounties for the capture of wolves.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Wendell, unanimous consent being given.

A bill in relation to the eleventh and twelfth sections of the act to amend the act to incorporate the State of Michigan.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Wendell, unanimous consent being given.

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Mackinaw, Chippewa, Delta, Manoninee, Pictured Rocks, Emmet and Manitowish, to regulate the sale of probate.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Wendell, unanimous consent being given.

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Mackinac and Manitowish to preempt and locate lands for county poor and work houses.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Wendell, unanimous consent being given, introduced.

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of lands by means of improving the channel of the Cheboygan river, in Cheboygan county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Wendell, unanimous consent being given, introduced.

A bill to tax the gross receipts of persons engaged in the fishing business.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. Wendell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend the charter of the village of Mackinac.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Wendell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to protect the fisheries of the State.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on fisheries.

Mr. Seymour, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the town of Paris, in the county of Kent, in raising money to pay bounty to drafted men.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Phillips, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of certain townships and cities in the county of Shiawassee, in raising bounties for volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Boies, unanimous consent being given, introduced,

A bill to fix the term of office, and to confirm and define the powers of the board of control of railroads.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Boies, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend certain sections of act No. 117, of the law of 1858, and the acts amendatory thereto.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Horton, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill providing for the construction of a State road from Thunder bay, on Lake Huron, to Grand Traverse bay, on Lake Michigan, and appropriating swamp lands therefor.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Horton, unanimous consent being given,

A bill appropriating swamp lands for Thunder Bay river.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Luther, unanimous consent being given,

A bill making appropriation for the support of Agricultural College, and the State Board of Agriculture.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on agriculture and mechanics, jointly.

Mr. Yawkey, unanimous consent being given,

A bill to aid in the construction of the East Junction State road, and apply certain non-resident taxes thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Taylor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to aid in the construction of the Cornua, and Saginaw State road, and apply certain non-resident way taxes thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Yawkey, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands by means of a road from Bay city to East Saginaw, and to aid in the construction thereof an appropriation of State swamp lands is asked.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Yawkey, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend act No. 236, of the session laws of 1863, entitled "an act to provide for the protection of game in the State of Michigan," approved March 20, 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on game.

Mr. Yawkey, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of State swamp lands, by means of a State road from Bridgeport Center, to a certain point in the township of Taymouth, Saginaw county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Bond, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the issue of war bounty bonds in the county of Wayne.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Taylor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to authorize the Auditor General to refund moneys paid for taxes, and on tax sales, in certain cases.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Fellows, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the several townships of the county of Kalamazoo, in raising bounties for volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Beach, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize any of the cities and townships in the counties of Ingham, Eaton and Calhoun, to pledge their credit to aid in the construction of a railroad from Lansing to Battle Creek.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on internal improvements.

Mr. Stewert, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the several townships in St. Joseph county, in raising bounties for volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Wilcox, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill making appropriations to meet the State Prison for the years 1865 and 1866.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on State Prison.

Mr. Mallary, unanimous consent being given.

A bill to legalize the action of the several townships of Macomb, in raising money to pay delinquent taxes.

The bill was read a first and second time and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. G. C. Jones, unanimous consent being given.

A bill to accept of a grant of land that may be made to the State of Michigan by the United States for the improvement and construction of a harbor at the Ontonagon river.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title.

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. G. C. Jones, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill authorizing any of the towns in the counties of Benzie, Houghton and Keweenaw, to pledge their credit for the construction of any railroad or State swamp land road that may pass through either of said counties.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. G. C. Jones, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the extension of time for the construction of the State swamp land roads in the Upper Peninsula.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. L. Smith, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands by means of State roads and ditches.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Winsor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to detach certain sections from the township of White Rock and attach the same to the township of Rock, in the county of Huron, and to change the name of said township.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Winsor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to lay out and construct a State road to be known as the Huron City and Bad Ax State road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Osborn, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section 4, of act No. 227, of the session laws of 1863, entitled "An act to amend sections 1, 2, 4, 5, 6 and 9, chapter 139, of the revised statutes of 1846, being sections 5350, 5351, 5353, 5354, 5355 and 5358, of the compiled laws, touching the limitation of actions relating to real property," approved March 20th, 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Munger, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill legalizing the township meeting of the township of Dallas, Clinton county, Michigan, in raising bounties to pay volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Utley, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the townships of Green and Deerfield, in the county of Mecosta, for the year 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Utley, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section 19, of act No. 1, of laws passed at the extra session in May, 1861, entitled "An act to amend an act entitled an act to provide a military force," approved March

16, 1861, and add several sections thereto 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time
ferred to the committee on military affairs.

Mr. McKernan, unanimous consent being g

A bill to authorize the township boards a
and trustees of villages in the Upper Peninsu
spectors of firewood.

The bill was read a first and second time by i
ferred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. McKernan, unanimous consent being given

A bill to accept a grant of land by act of Cong
the construction of the Mineral Range railway, a
for the construction of the same.

The bill was read a first and second time by its

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Aitkin, unanimous consent being given, introd

A bill to amend sections 95, of chapter 12, of the
laws, relative to the compensation of certain townshi
for certain services.

The bill was read a first and second time by its ti
referred to the committee on the judiciary.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House took a recess for half an hour.

At the expiration of half an hour the House met, and
called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Roll called: quorum present.

Mr. Taylor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to aid in the construction of the Cheaning, Spauldi
and Buena Vista State road, in the county of Saginaw, and
apply certain non-resident highway taxes thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and
referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Taylor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to aid in the construction of the Ithica and St. Charles

State road, and apply certain non-resident highway taxes thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Mr. Taylor, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the organization of school district number one, of the township of Spalding, in the county of Saginaw.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Keeler, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the legalization and payment of certain Cass county bonds.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Wells, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to prevent animals from running at large in the public highways.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures.

Mr. Lewis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill authorizing the township of Arbela, in the county of Tuscola, to levy and collect against the taxable property of said township, certain moneys voted to pay drafted men.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Lewis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill appropriating swamp lands for the improvement of the State road and mail route, from Watrousville, in Tuscola county, to Sebewaing, in Huron county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Lewis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill appropriating swamp lands to aid in preparing the Cass river for slack water navigation.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Lewis, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill appropriating swamp lands for the improvement of the State road from Vassar to Wahjamega, in Tuscola county.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend certain sections of an act entitled an act to repeal chapter 122, of the revised statutes of 1846, and the amendments thereto, and provide for the collection of demands against water craft, approved February 5th, 1864.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the inspection of salt.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on salines.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to incorporate Bay City.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the construction of a State road between the Portsmouth Ferry and the Bay City and Tuscola plank road.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to provide for the improvement of that portion of the East Saginaw and Sauble State road which lies between East Saginaw and Bay City.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to increase the fees of county clerks and registers of deeds.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent being given, introduced
A bill to provide for the improvement of the Thunder Bay river, and for draining the marshes thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Dort, unanimous consent being given, introduced
A bill to divide the county of Wayne, and organize the county of Washington, and to define its boundaries.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on towns and counties.

Mr. Dort, unanimous consent being given, introduced
A bill to amend section sixteen of an act to organize the Michigan Asylum for the Insane, and more effectually to provide for the care, maintenance and recovery of the insane; also to amend section 24 of this act, as amended by act No. 120, of the session laws of 1861;

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on Asylum for the Insane.

Mr. Wendell, unanimous consent being given, introduced
A bill allowing the sons of deceased and invalid soldiers to be educated at the Agricultural State College, free of charge, &c.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on agriculture and manufactures.

Mr. G. C. Jones, unanimous consent being given, introduced
A bill granting swamp lands to aid in the improvement of the harbor at the mouth of the Ontonagon river.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Wendell, unanimous consent being given, introduced
Joint resolution calling the attention of Congress to the unsafe condition of the Waugooshance lighthouse, in the Straits of Michilimackinac.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

Mr. Dunlap, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to repeal an act entitled an act
lage of Waukazooville, and to extend the
of Northport over the said village of Wa

The bill was read a first and second time
ferred to the committee on banks and inco

Mr. Copley, unanimous consent *being gi*

A bill to legalize the action of the electors
Marcellus, in the county of Cass, and to pro
bonds of said township to pay such amount o
as was authorized by such electors at a speci
ing held therein on the 21st day of January, A

The bill was read a first and second time by
ferred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. Green, unanimous consent being given, in

A bill to amend an act entitled "An act to pr
ers of sheep from damages done by dogs," *being*
session laws of 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its
ferred to the committee on agriculture and manufa

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

House bill No. 113, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the village of Low
county of Kent, for the years 1862, 1863 and 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all t
bers elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Jenness,	Mr. Reed,
A. Allen,	Jewell,	Rowe,
G. W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Sanderson,
Bayley,	G. C. Jones,	Schars,
Ball,	Keeler,	Seymour,
Beach,	Kenney,	Shier,
Boies,	Laing,	Slocum,
Bond,	Landon,	L. Smith,
Boniae,	Lapham,	W. T. Smith,
Brockway,	Lewis,	Stewart,
Cady,	Look,	Taylor,
Camburn,	Luther,	Thayer,
Carleton,	Mallory,	Thomas,

Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,

Maxwell,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,

Utley,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker, *pro tem*,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Seymour,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 142, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to re-incorporate the village of Buchanan, and to repeal all inconsistent acts and parts of acts," approved March 7th, 1863,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,

Mr. Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallory,
Maxwell,
May,

Mr. Rowe,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Utley,

Cobb,	McKay,
Colwell,	McKernan
Copley,	Mickley,
Dort,	Monroe,
Dunlap,	Morton,
Dusseau,	Munger,
Fellows,	Newcomb
Fisher,	Nixon,
Forbes,	Nowland
Graham,	O'Grady
Green,	Osborn,
Haire,	Pack,
Hazen,	Packard
Morton,	Phillips
M. D. Howard,	Pitts,
O. F. Howard,	Reed,
Jenness,	

NAY

Mr. Brockway,

The question being upon agree

Mr. Warner moved to amend

"section seven of," after the w

Which was agreed to.

The title, as amended, was t

On motion of Mr. Graham,

By a vote of two-thirds of a
ordered to take immediate effe

Mr. Pitts moved that the H

Which motion was withdra

Mr. Look moved that the H
this evening;

Mr. Brockway moved to a
"7 o'clock this evening,"
o'clock this afternoon;"

Pending which motion,

On motion of Mr. Chipma

The House adjourned unt

EVENING SESSION.

7 o'clock P. M.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker *pro tem*.

Roll called: quorum present .

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on harbors:

The committee on harbors, to whom was referred a petition of Theodore H. Eaton and 15 others, of Alpena county, praying for an appropriation of 20,000 acres of State swamp land, to aid in the removal of obstructions, and improvement of the navigation of Thunder Bay river, in said county,

Respectfully report the same back to the House, without having taken any action thereon, and recommend that the same be referred to the committee on public lands, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

SAM'L W. YAWKEY, *Chairman*.

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The recommendations of the committee were concurred in, and the petition was referred to the committee on public lands.

By the committee on engrossment and enrollment:

The committee on engrossment and enrollment, report as correctly enrolled, signed and presented to the Governor, the following bills and joint resolutions:

A bill changing the name of the township of Leonard, in the county of Mecosta, to that of Big Rapids;

Also,

A bill to provide for the laying out and establishing of a State road, to be known as the Ovid and St. Charles State road, and appropriating certain swamp lands for the construction of the same;

Also,

A bill to authorize the board of supervisors of Houghton county, to draw certain swamp land money, and to expend the

same on the L'Anse Bay and State.
other purposes;

Also,

A bill to amend an act entitled an
of Jackson, approved February 14, 1

Also,

Joint resolution asking an appre
gress, to endow female colleges in t

Also,

A bill to extend to actual settlers
rights and privileges as freeholders

Respectfully report that they ha
sideration, and have directed me t
the House as correctly enrolled, ar
the further consideration of the su

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Report accepted and committee

By the committee on banks and

The committee on banks and i
referred

A bill to regulate tolls on plan
counties,

Respectfully report that they
sideration, and have directed m
House, without amendment, a
and ask to be discharged from
subject.

Report accepted and commi

The bill was ordered print
the whole, and placed on the 1

COMMUNICATIONS FROM STATE OFFICERS.

The Speaker pro tem. announced the following:

AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Lansing, Mich., February 21st, 1865. }

To HON. GILBERT E. READ, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—In compliance with a resolution of the House, requesting the Auditor General to communicate to that body,

1. The number of clerks that were employed in the Auditor General's office during the years 1863 and 1864;

2. The names and places of residence of said clerks when appointed;

3. The amounts of money paid to each of said clerks as a compensation for their services,

I herewith submit the following report:

When I entered upon the duties of the office of Auditor General of this State, I found that there had been employed by my predecessor 18, and from time to time 19 or 20 clerks. Most of them being desirous of being continued, I retained those whom I knew or thought to be competent and faithful. Thus, at the commencement of my official term, only one change was made. During the years 1863 and 1864, some further changes took place; some of the employes left the department to engage in other pursuits, while some others were requested to withdraw; and new appointments, either permanent or temporary, were made from time to time, to meet the wants of the office and the pressure of business in the same. For details I respectfully refer you to the table accompanying this report.

The number of clerks, then, employed for the years 1863 and 1864, has been ranging from 16 to 22; two of them, besides the deputy, namely, book-keeper and chief correspondent, being regular clerks, and all the others *extra clerks*, whom I considered from time to time necessary, and consequently employed in accordance with section 179, page 140, of the compiled laws.

The number of clerks at present employed is 17, besides the deputy.

Coming to the second point, viz: their places of residence when appointed those clerks whom I retained, or, if they were at the time when such re-appointments of the very city of Lansing, as employed in this department has ever limited. When first appointed by me, clerks were residents of various parts of other States, and I have given residence in the accompanying table to post myself in regard to it.

Concerning the residence of those in this department last year, a few seem appropriate.

Fritz Anneke, whom I employed, has formerly been a resident of the State. As to his coming into this office, Colonel, Chief of Artillery in the 1st Wisconsin Regiment, also Colonel of the 34th Wis. Vol., so much of a "permanent resident" fighting traitors and rebels in the same can be said in regard to Col. Anneke, who, after his discharge, came to Lansing on a visit, and has since resided in this office.

Otto Kirchner, from Sept., 1862, in this department, and since a member of the House of Representatives, "a *riots par excellence*," been styled "this Canadian" has spent his life in study law, but it is not less true that there he was a resident of this State, and it is also true that at the break of the rebellion, he was in the army.

The amounts of money ;

in this department, during the years 1863 and 1864, as a compensation for their services, you will find by reference to the third column of the accompanying table.

When, in 1856, I received an appointment as clerk in this department from Auditor General Whitney Jones, the clerks were paid a salary of \$ 600 per annum, for which they had to work six hours and a half per day. For all over-work performed by them, they were paid at the same rate, making an amount of 30 cents for each and every hour of labor performed out of the regular office hours. This very arrangement had existed ever since the Capital was established at Lansing, not only in the department of the Auditor General, but in all the other State departments, and the same rule was adopted by all subsequent Auditors, and other elective officers of this State. When entering upon the duties of my present office, in January, 1863, I consented to give the employes in my department the same privilege of working out of office hours, whenever the pressure of business in this department should make such over-work necessary or desirable, and in this connection I must say, that during some seasons of the year it would have been utterly impossible to keep up the current business of this department, without requiring clerks to work to a large extent beyond the regular office hours. Having myself, for several years, performed the various kinds of labor in this department, I can speak from my own personal knowledge and experience; and I can assure you, that in some seasons of the year, particularly in the Spring, when county treasurers make their returns for delinquent taxes, and in the fall, when these officers make their return of sales, some of the employes have, by request of the head of the departments, worked to very late hours in the night, to accommodate said county officers and the public generally, and to prevent unnecessary and unpleasant delay in the business of this department.

Up to the close of the year 1863, the regular office hours were six and a half per day, but at that time the principal clerks in my department represented to me, that, inasmuch as

all the necessities of life cent., it would be almost families, if their salaries consideration of all circumstances from six and a half thus increasing the earnings per day. It had been all other elective officers of rangement in their respect them had already written tily approve of and sanc There being no statute r partment, I did not hesi urgent solicitations of my to be faithful and deservin I do not think that I have ply performed an act of j

In conclusion, allow me ters pertaining to this de have convinced myself th fully performed the severi sidering the various natu to the views expressed in cation of the clerks wou proper and useful.

The communication was

The following is the tab
tion:

Auditor General's Office, 1863 and 1864.

NAMES OF CLERKS		Amount Paid for Services.
Barn Jones,.....	Cleveland, Ohio.	\$2,057
Joseph Mills,.....	Leonia, Iowa Co., Mich.	1,058
Wm. E. Pratt,.....	Flint, Genesee Co., Mich.	1,394
Wm. M. Graybill,.....	Libra, Washtenaw Co., Mich.	346
Wm. R. Wilcox,.....	Mason, Ingham Co., Mich.	1,340
L. B. Potter,.....	Jackson, Jackson Co., Mich.	1,313
Wm. G. Woodworth,.....	Centerville, St. Joseph Co., Mich.	1,775
A. J. Leach,.....	Genesee Co., Mich.	350
E. A. Thompson,.....	Paw Paw, Van Buren Co., Mich.	690
D. M. Bagley,.....	Hillsdale Co., Mich.	1,394
Wm. W. Walker,.....	Oakman, Ingham Co., Mich.	1,397
Wm. A. Crossman,.....	Millford, Oakland Co., Mich.	2,028
Wm. E. Clapp,.....	Litchfield, Hillsdale Co., Mich.	2,361
Wm. H. Thompson,.....	Lawton, Van Buren Co., Mich.	1,391
Wm. F. Giddings,.....	Kalamazoo, Kalamazoo Co., Mich.	1,300
J. W. Hertel,.....	Adrian, Lenawee Co., Mich.	600
.....	Adrian, Lenawee Co., Mich.	1,788
.....	Grand Rapids, Kent Co., Mich.	618
.....	Saline, Washtenaw Co., Mich.	314
.....	Detroit, Wayne Co., Mich.	30
.....	Parma, Jackson Co., Mich.	416
.....	Ann Arbor, Washtenaw Co., Mich.	1,354
.....	Mason, Ingham Co., Mich.	906
.....	Transient clerk.	30
.....	Adrian, Lenawee Co., Mich.	390

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August, 1863,

Auditor General's Office, 1863 and 1864.

NAMES OF CLERKS	Former Place of Residence.	Amount Paid for Services.	REMARKS
Hugo Haanel,.....		1,173 28	Miscellaneous, from May, 1863, to October, 1864.
J. E. Tenney,.....		51 46	State Librarian, has done some copying in June, 1863.
Ed. D. Bingham,.....		1,402 56	Formerly assistant corresponding clerk, and since October, 1864, Deputy; employed from January, 1863, to close of term.
L. Cline,.....		120 55	Copying clerk in September and October, 1863.
A. E. Cowles,.....		139 93	do do do
O. Kiehnor,.....	Ut a.	1,151 54	Miscellaneous; employed from September, 1863, to December 31, 1864.
Frita Annette,.....		1,026 90	do do and proof reader from November, 1863, to October, 1864.
R. D. W. Woodworth,.....		160 50	Copying clerk.
C. F. Lockmund,.....	h.	786 50	Miscellaneous.
Chas A Sanford,.....	do	483 92	Copying clerk.
A. R. Burr,.....		598 76	do do
Julius Keyes,.....		571 84	do do
Wm. C. Bennett,.....		480 95	Receiving clerk, June, 1864, do
R. B. Devincy,.....		426 43	Copying clerk, July, 1864, do
A. C. Adams,.....		472 64	do do July, 1864, do
E. O. Kelley,.....		373 48	do do August, 1864, do
Florens Kretke,.....		130 37	do do Nov., 1864, do
Theo Hunter,.....		57 88	Miscellaneous during the month of December, 1864.

Those with a * opposite their names are in the office at present, being one deputy, two clerks and a messenger.

The Speaker *pro tem.* also announced the following:

AUDITOR GENERAL'S OFFICE,
Lansing, Feb. 22, 1865. }

To HON. GILBERT E. READ, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—In compliance with the following resolution of the House:

Resolved, That the Auditor General be, and he hereby is requested to furnish a statement to this House, showing the amounts paid to clerks employed in the departments of the State Treasurer, Commissioner of the Land Office, Quartermaster General, Secretary of State, and Adjutant General, since the first day of January, A. D. 1863, and that the Auditor General do set forth in said statement, as near as may be, the nature of the work performed, and the number of hours of labor per day, in the said departments above named, and that he make specific comparisons of the amount paid to clerks of his department, together with the average per diem allowed to each, according to the number of hours employed in the several departments named, to that paid to clerks of the Auditor General's Office, according to the amount of labor performed by them.

I herewith submit a detailed statement showing the amounts paid to clerks employed in the departments named in the above resolution. As far as the department of the Auditor General is concerned, I most respectfully refer you to a report which I have this day submitted to the House in pursuance of a resolution adopted by that body on the 17th inst., from which most of the information asked for in the House resolution of the 18th can be gathered. As to the nature of labor performed in the other departments of the State, allow me to remark, that it would be not only entirely out of the line of my official position, but also a somewhat difficult and perhaps embarrassing task, to collect the necessary material for such information.

Regarding the Military Department of the State, I have

given you in the accompanying statement
I could gather from the records of this

Very Respectfully

The communication was laid on the table
The following is the table which accom-

Secretary of State's Office, 1863 and 1864.

NAMES OF CLERKS.	Amount Paid for Services.	REMARKS.
Geo. H. House,.....	\$1,066 28	From January 1st, 1863, to December 31st, 1864.
Chas. H. Thompson,...	284 83	For 3 months service in 1863.
A. V. Dearin,.....	308 94	From M
J. B. Bailey,.....	882 13	From J
N. B. Jones,.....	20 00	For ext
R. E. Rowe,.....	140 74	"
J. B. Ranney,.....	64 02	"
D. M. Bagley,.....	191 28	"
C. E. Naab,.....	8 70	"
L. M. Cravath,.....	24 26	"
R. B. Devlinney,.....	28 28	"
H. D. Bartholomew,...	4 77	"
H. L. Paddock,.....	8 28	"
Allegan, Allegan Co., Mich.,		Dept. Secretary of State.
Van Buren Co., Mich.,		"
Lansing, Ingham Co., Mich.,		"
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Lansing, Ingham " "		"
Charlotte, Eaton " "		"
Lansing, Ingham " "		"
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Dexter, Washtenaw " "		"
Lansing, Ingham " "		"
Pontiac, Oakland " "		"

Sale Land Office, 1863 and 1864.

Marshall, Calhoun Co., Mich.,	83,025 22	From January 1st, 1863, to Dec. 31st, 1864.
Jackson, Jackson " "	1,922 63	"
St. Louis, Mo.,	944 44	From January 1st to Dec. 31st, 1863.
Monroe, Monroe Co., Mich.,	2,008 40	"
Genesee Co., Mich.,	32 96	For extra services, certified to by Dept. Com. of Land Office.
Lansing, Ingham Co., Mich.,	449 56	From Dec. 17th, 1863, to July 13, 1864.
" " " "	17 46	For extra services, certified to by Dept. Com. of Land Office.
" " " "	283 63	From August to Dec. 31st 1864.

State Treasurer's Office, 1863 and 1864.

Ed. Turner,.....	\$1,064 74	From Jan. 1st, 1863, to Dec. 31st, 1864.
H. D. Bartholomew	1,876 88	"
H. J. Paddock,.....	1,489 82	From March 1st 1863, to Dec. 31st 1864.
I. M. Cravath,.....	80	For extra services, certified to by Dept. State Treasurer.
Eva Jones,.....	75 00	For special services, " "
C. H. Thompson,...	14 78	For extra services, " "
Mich.,		"
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Superintendent of Public Instruction, 1863 and 1864.

NAMES OF CLERKS.	Former Place of Residence	Amount Paid for Services.	REMARKS.
G. B. Stebbins,	Adrian, Lenawee Co., Mich.,	\$1,963 33	From Jan. 1st, 1863, to December 31st, 1864.
F. Morley, Asst.,		\$2,001 30	
J. H. Edwards,		1,629 96	
E. Ives,		150 00	
A. E. Robinson,		370 42	
R. H. Mahon,		8 34	
L. F. Harter,		38 72	
C. C. McDonald,		479 47	
W. T. Young,		25 00	
David Wallace,			
E. M. Simons,			
	Place of residence not known,		
		1 250 00	

Adjutant General's Office, 1863 and 1864.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS AND NOTICES.

Mr. Cobb, unanimous consent being given, introduced
Joint resolution relative to the distribution of the laws, journals and documents of the Legislature, of the year A. D. 1865.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on printing.

Mr. Chipman, unanimous consent being given, introduced
A bill respecting foreign judgments and decrees.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. W. T. Smith, unanimous consent being given, introduced
Joint resolution authorizing the Auditor General to pay the necessary traveling expenses of Superintendents of Public Instruction

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Fisher, unanimous consent being given, introduced
A bill to authorize the electors of the fourth ward of the city of Jackson, in the county of Jackson, to issue bonds, to pay bounties to volunteers;

On motion of Mr. Fisher,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Cobb, unanimous consent being given, introduced
A bill to authorize the appointment of sealers of weights and measures.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on State affairs.

Mr. Warner, unanimous consent being given, introduced
A bill to authorize certain townships in the State of Michigan to raise money by tax to refund advances made for bounty purposes.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on war bounties.

Mr. J. H. Jones, unanimous consent being given, introduced
A bill to authorize the township of Quincy, Branch county, to borrow money.

The bill was read a first time and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Rowe, unanimous consent.

A bill to legalize the act of the board of land county, Michigan, in relation to persons drafted, and to fill the quota of said to the United States for 800,

The bill was read a first time and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Woodworth, unanimous consent.

A bill to legalize the act of the board of land county of Ingham, in relation to persons drafted, and to fill the quota of said to the United States for 800,

The bill was read a first time and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Morton, unanimous consent.

A bill to establish capital and interest on the public debt.

The bill was read a first time and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Cobb, unanimous consent.

A bill to facilitate the taking and depositions of persons in relation to the public debt.

The bill was read a first time and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Pack, unanimous consent.

A bill to amend section 1, of the act of March 1, 1864, the same being an act to provide for the reclamation of swamp land and ditches, in Sanilac and Huron counties.

The bill was read a first time and referred to the committee on agriculture.

Mr. Morton, unanimous consent.

A bill to locate the Agricultural Experiment Station at Monroe.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on education.

Mr. Morton, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to appropriate swamp lands to the county of Monroe, for the purpose of draining swamps, marshes and other low lands.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Monroe, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to repeal an act entitled an act to provide for the payment of unliquidated swamp land road contracts, approved March 20, 1863.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Monroe, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize the appointment of a general swamp land road commissioner.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Pack, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to authorize the Governor to appoint a commissioner on that part of the Forestville and East Saginaw State road, situate in the counties of Tuscola and Saginaw.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

Mr. Woodruff, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of the several townships of Berrien county, in raising money to pay volunteers, under the call of the President, in July 1864, for 500,000 men.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Woodruff,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. May, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend chapter 10 of the compiled laws, relative to hawkers and peddlers.

The bill was read a first and referred to the committee on the judiciary.

Mr. Warner, unanimous consent.

A bill to change the name of Southfield to First Presbyterian.

The bill was read a first and referred to the committee on banking.

Mr. G. C. Jones, unanimous consent.

A bill to repeal joint resolution of 1861, appropriating the tolls of payment of the amount due court lands, and the joint resolution as amended.

The bill was read a first and referred to the committee on State.

Mr. McKernan, unanimous consent.

A bill to accept a grant of land for the construction of the ship canal between Lake Michigan and Lake Superior, and to appropriate the same.

The bill was read a first and referred to the committee on State.

On motion of Mr. McKernan,

The bill was laid upon the table.

Mr. J. H. Jones, unanimous consent.

A joint resolution in relation to the duties of county treasurers.

The joint resolution was read a first and second time, and referred to the committee on State.

Mr. Maxwell, unanimous consent.

A bill granting swamp lands to the State, for the improvement of Saginaw Bay.

The bill was read a first and second time.

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Graham, unanimous consent.

A bill to provide for the construction of a canal between Lake Michigan and Lake Superior, and to assume liabilities.

ing bounties to volunteers, and all moneys paid by the same, to families of volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. Woodman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to legalize the action of certain towns in the county of Van Buren, in paying bounties to volunteers.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and,

On motion of Mr. Woodman,

The bill was laid on the table.

Mr. Woodman, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to amend section 832 of the compiled laws, the same being section 49, of chapter 17, of the revised statutes of 1846, entitled an act to provide for assessing property at its true value, and for levying and collecting taxes thereon.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. May, unanimous consent being given, introduced

A bill to appropriate three thousand acres of swamp land, across the River Rouge.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on public lands.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Senate bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to authorize the village of Jonesville, in the county of Hillsdale, to borrow money, for the purposes therein mentioned,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,

Mr. M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Slocum,
W. T. Smith,

Boies,	Laing,
Bonine,	Landon,
Brockway,	Lapham,
Cady,	Lewis,
Camburn,	Luther,
Carleton,	Mallary,
Chipman,	Maxwell,
Cobb,	May,
Colwell,	McKernan,
Copley,	Mickley,
Dort,	Monroe,
Dunlap,	Morton,
Dussean,	Newcomb,
Fellows,	Nixon,
Graham,	Osborn,
Green,	Pack,
Haire,	Packard,
Haynes,	Phillips,
Hazen,	Pitta,
Horton,	Reed,

NAYS

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Hazen,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the
ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 115, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village

Was read a third time and passed
by yeas elect voting therefor, by yeas

YEAS

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. O. F. Ho
A. Allen,	Jennese,
G. W. Allen,	Jewell,
Bayley,	J. H. Jo
Ball,	Keeler,
Bartow,	Kenney,
Beach,	Laing,
Boies,	Landon,
Bonine,	Lapham,
Brockway,	Lewis,
Cady,	Look,
Camburn,	Luther,
Carleton,	Mallary,
Chipman,	Maxwell,

Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,

May,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,

Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to authorize school district number four, in the township of Pulaski, in the county of Jackson, to issue bonds,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Cady,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,

Mr. M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallary,
Maxwell,
May,
McKernan,
Mickley,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Van Vleet,
Warner,
Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,

Dunlap,	Monroe,
Dusseau,	Morton,
Fellows,	Newcom
Graham,	Nixon,
Green,	Pack,
Haire,	Packard,
Haynes,	Phillips,
Hasen,	Pitts,
Horton,	Reed,

NAYS

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Landon,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the
ordered to take immediate effect.

Manuscript House bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the
township of Medina, Lenawee con

Was read a third time and passed
here elect voting therefor, by yeas

YEA

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. M. D. H
A. Allen,	O. F. H
G. W. Allen,	Jenness
Bayley,	Jewell,
Ball,	J. H. Jo
Bartow,	Keeler,
Beach,	Kenney
Boies,	Laing,
Bonine,	Landon,
Brockway,	Lapham
Cady,	Lewis,
Camburn,	Look,
Carleton,	Luther,
Chipman,	Mallery
Cobb,	Maxwel
Colwell,	May,
Copley,	McKern
Dort,	Mickley
Dunlap,	Monroe,
Dusseau,	Newcor
Fellows,	Nixon,
Graham,	Osborn,

Green,
Haire,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Morton,

Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,
Reed,

Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker *pro tem.*,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following resolution:

Whereas, The water in Lake St. Clair is now lower by about three feet than at the time of dredging the St. Clair flats;

And whereas, Observations of the past show that a still greater fall of the water of said lake is likely to take place in the next two years, thereby making the navigation of that great thoroughfare to the larger class of vessels engaged in the carrying trade, almost impossible, or at least very unprofitable to their owners;

And whereas, The great and important interests engaged in the carrying trade, depend to a great extent upon easy and certain navigation of this thoroughfare of commerce, which interests the citizens of this State alike with those of our sister States of the West;

And whereas, It is indispensable to the commercial interests not only of the State, but to those of the entire West, that said St. Clair flats be deepened and placed in a condition that will make them navigable to all classes of vessels engaged in the extensive commerce of the entire lakes; therefore

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That our Senators in Congress are hereby instructed, and our Representatives are hereby requested, to use all honorable means to secure the passage of a bill appropriating such sum of money as is necessary to deepen the south channel on St. Clair flats, to a depth that

there shall be thirteen f
water mark.

Resolved, That the Gov
to transmit a copy of thi
our Senators and Represe
Which was adopted.

Also, House bill No. 22

A bill to amend an act
tled an act to provide fo
lies of volunteers muste
service of the United Sta
1861, and to add certain
17, 1862, by adding theret
19, 1868;

The question being upon
Mr. Woodworth asked
of the House, to strike from
Ingham county.

On motion of Mr. J. H. J
The bill was laid on the
On motion of Mr. Luther
The House adjourned un

Lans

The House met, pursuant
order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hiel

Roll called: *querum pre*

Absent at roll call, with

Mr. Bond asked and obt
for an indefinite time, on a

PRESENT.

By Mr. Keeler: petition
citizens of Mason, in the c

sage of a law authorizing the action of said township in voting a tax to refund money advanced to pay bounties to volunteers;

Referred to the committee on military affairs.

By Mr. Lewis: petition of James P. Demerest and 26 others, citizens of Tuscola county, asking the organization of the county of Lincoln;

Referred to the committee on towns and counties.

By Mr. Warner: petition of the trustees of the Congregational society of Southfield, Oakland county, asking the change of the name of their society;

Also: petition of the pastor and members of the 1st Presbyterian church of Southfield, for the same purpose;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

By Mr. Swift: remonstrance of E. F. Burch, J. T. Wilcox, Wm. McPherson, H. H. Harmon, S. F. Hubbell, and 108 others, citizens and tax-payers of Livingston county, protesting against any amendment of act No. 49, laws of 1864;

Referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for assessing State swamp lands in certain cases, and to provide for selling or disposing of the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

J. B. COBB, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on State affairs:

The committee on State affairs, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section 3215, of the compiled laws, relative to fees of county clerks for recording marriage certificates,

Respectfully report that
sideration, and have direct
the House, without amend
pass, and ask to be dischar
of the subject.

Report accepted and com
The bill was ordered pri
the whole, and placed on ti
By the committee on Stat
The committee on State
ate bill No. 55, entitled

A bill to amend section
grounds, approved February

Respectfully report that th
sideration, and have directed
House, without amendment,
and ask to be discharged fro
subject.

Report accepted and comm
The bill was referred to
placed on the general order.

By the committee on publi
The committee on public le
A bill to provide for the o
State road,

Respectfully report that th
sideration, and have directed
the House, without amendme
and ask to be discharged fro
subject.

Report accepted and comm
The bill was ordered pri
of the whole, and placed on t

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of a road to be known as the Port Hope and Wild Fowl Bay State road,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill granting swamp lands to the county of Shiawassee, to aid in cutting drains through a certain swamp in said county,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to amend section one of an act entitled an act to lay out and construct a road to be known as the White Rock and Bingham State road, approved February 5th, 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do

pass, and ask to be discharged from the subject.

Report accepted and committed.

The bill was ordered printed in whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands.

The committee on public lands report on bill No. 76, being

A bill to provide for the means of a State road, to be known as the Shore State road,

Respectfully report that they have considered the same, and have directed the bill to pass in the House, without amendment, and ask to be discharged from the subject.

Report accepted and committed.

The bill was referred to the committee on roads and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges.

The committee on roads and bridges report on House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend act No. 135, an act entitled an act to amend an act in relation to the duties of the sheriff, passed and approved February 14, 1859,

Respectfully report that they have considered the same, and have directed the bill to pass in the House, without amendment, and ask to be discharged from the subject.

Report accepted and committed.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and opening a State road in the township of Shiawassee, in the county of Shiawassee,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendments, recommending that the amendments be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Jenness,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill by the committee.

The bill was then referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize the highway commissioners of the township of Sciota, in the county of Shiawassee, to appropriate the non-resident highway tax of said township, for the years 1864, 1865 and 1866, to build a bridge across the Looking Glass river, in said township,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means
 The committee on ways and means
 A bill to extend the time
 township of Wright, Hillsdale
 Respectfully report that they have
 sideration, and have directed the
 House, with the accompanying
 the amendment be concurred in
 amended do pass, and ask to be
 consideration of the subject.

Report accepted and committed to
 On motion of Mr. Maxwell,
 The House concurred in the report
 the committee.

On motion of Mr. Green,
 The bill was placed on the order
 By the committee on ways and means
 The committee on ways and means
 Senate bill No. 70, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll
 the county of Newaygo, for the
 Respectfully report that they have
 sideration, and have directed the
 the House, with the accompanying
 that the amendment be concurred in
 amended, do pass, and ask to be
 consideration of the subject.

Report accepted and committed to
 On motion of Mr. Utley,
 The House concurred in the report
 the committee.

On motion of Mr. Green,
 The bill was placed on the order
 By the committee on ways and means

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the townships of Green and Deerfield, in the county of Mecosta, for the year 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred Senate bill No. 80, entitled

A bill making an appropriation to pay the arrearages of the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb and the Blind, for the years 1863 and 1864,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 23, 1866. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following joint resolutions:

1. Senate joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing
of certain lands to Washington

2. Senate joint resolution No

Joint resolution for the relief

Which have passed the Sena

Senators elect, and by a vote o

elect, been ordered to take imm

concurrence of the House is req

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The first named joint resolut
time by its title, and referred
lands.

The second named joint resolu
time by its title, and referred t
means.

The Speaker also announced th

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To the Speaker of the House of R

SIR—I am instructed by the S
the following joint resolutions:

1. Senate joint resolution No.

Joint resolution asking Cong
in the construction of a ship can
la Belle, so as to form a safe har

2. Senate joint resolution No

Joint resolution to authorize
Michigan to pay the sum of \$2,0
county of Berrien to the Univers

Which have passed the Sena
Senators elect.

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The first named joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on federal relations.

The second named joint resolution was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on ways and means.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 23, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 45, entitled

A bill to amend section 6, of act No. 175, of the session laws of 1863, in relation to the Pentwater and Newaygo State road;

2. House bill No. 54, entitled

A bill to amend section 2, of act No. 241, of the session laws of 1863, entitled an act to provide for the collection of State and county taxes in the city of Detroit;

3. House bill No. 60, entitled

A bill to authorize the sheriffs of certain counties to serve process issued by justices of the peace;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The several bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 23, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 47, entitled

A bill to amend section 84
to the commencement of act

And to inform the House of
same by inserting the following
tion:

" *Provided*, That nothing shall
limit the jurisdiction of a judge
has been prescribed by the charter

In the passage of which, as
concurred by a majority vote of
Ver.

Mr. Haynes moved that the House
made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by ye

YEA

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. O. F. Ho
A. Allen,	Jennness,
Bayley,	Jewell,
Ball,	J. H. Jo
Bartow,	G. C. Jo
Beach,	Keeler,
Boies,	Kenney,
Bond,	Laing,
Brockway,	Lapham,
Cady,	Luther,
Camburn,	Mallery,
Carleton,	Maxwell,
Cobb,	May,
Colwell,	McKay,
Copley,	Mickley,
Dunlap,	Monroe,
Dussean,	Morton,
Fellows,	Munger,
Fisher,	Nixon,
Forbes,	Nowland,
Graham,	O'Grady,
Green,	Osborn,
Griswold,	Pack,
Haire,	Packard,

Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,

Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,

Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. Bonine,

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The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 23, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 31, entitled

A bill to amend section 1, of chapter 42, of the compiled laws;

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same by striking out the word "and," in the second line of section 1, and inserting in lieu thereof, the word "or;"

Also, by adding to the title of said bill the words, "relative to disorderly persons;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN;

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Boies moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,

Mr. O. F. Howard, Mr. Runyan,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Lapham,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,

Brockway,	Le
Cady,	Lo
Camburn,	Lu
Carleton,	Ma
Cobb,	Ma
Colwell,	Ma
Copley,	Mc
Dunlap,	Mc
Dussean,	Mic
Fellows,	Mer
Fisher,	Mor
Forbes,	Mur
Graham,	Nix
Green,	Nov
Griswold,	O'G
Haire,	Osbo
Haynes,	Pack
Hazen,	Pack
Horton,	Reed
M. D. Howard,	Rowe
	NA

The amendment made by the
was agreed to.

The bill was then referred to
and enrollment, for enrollment.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Swift moved to discharge
from the further consideration
titled

A bill to repeal section 3, and
entitled "An act to authorize
counties of Livingston, Oakland
pledge their credit, and the county
tax, or borrow money, to aid in
from some point near the city of
of Livingston;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Swift,

The bill was recommitted to the
committees on corporations.

Mr. Green moved that the committee of the whole be discharged from the further consideration of House bill, entitled

A bill to provide interest on war loan;

And also,

A bill to provide interest on certain State loans;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bills were recommitted to the committee on ways and means.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved to take from the table House bill No. 48, being

A bill to legalize the action of certain townships, cities and counties in raising bounties for volunteers;

Which motion prevailed.

The question being upon the amendment proposed by Mr. Warner, to amend the Senate amendment to the proviso added to section three of the bill, by inserting between the words "township" and "city," the word "or," and by striking out the words "or county;"

The amendment was agreed to.

Mr. Woodman moved to amend the substitute for section four, proposed by the Senate, by striking out, in the second proviso, the words "July eighteenth," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "January first;"

Which amendment was withdrawn.

Mr. Brockway moved to amend the Senate amendment to section four of the bill, by adding the following thereto:

"Provided further, That not more than three hundred dollars shall be paid to any one individual so mustered into the service of the United States;"

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Stewart offered the following as a substitute for the words inserted by the Senate in the ninth line of section one, after the word "States:" "such action in raising bounties having occurred prior to the 4th day of February, 1865;"

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Warner then moved the amendments made to the bill by the
Which motion prevailed, the

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Jen
A. Allen,	Jen
G. W. Allen,	J. I
Bayley,	G.
Ball,	Ken
Bartow,	Lai
Beach,	Lar
Boies,	Lar
Bond,	Lev
Bouine,	Loo
Brockway,	Luti
Camburn,	Mal
Carleton,	May
Chipman,	McK
Cobb,	McK
Colwell,	Micl
Dunlap,	Mon
Dussean,	Mori
Fellows,	Mun
Fisher,	New
Forbes,	Nix
Graham,	Now
Green,	O'Gr
Griswold,	Osbo
Hairo,	Pack
Haynes,	Pack
Hazen,	Phill
O. F. Howard,	

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Mr. Copley,	Mr. Keek
M. D. Howard,	W. T

THIRD READING OF B

House manuscript bill, entitled
A bill to extend the time for
township of Wright, Hillsdale
Was read a third time and
members elect voting therefor,

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Haynes,
Hazen,
M. D. Howard,

Mr. Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
Mallory,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Pitts,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Seymour,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the townships of Green and Deerfield, in the county of Mecosta, for the year 1864,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,

Mr. M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,

Mr. Packard,
Pitts,

G. W. Allen,	Jennee
Bayley,	Jewell
Ball,	J. H. J
Bartow,	G. C. J
Beach,	Keeler,
Boies,	Kenney
Bond,	Laing,
Bonine,	Landon
Brockway,	Lapham
Camburn,	Lewis,
Carleton,	Look,
Chipman,	Luther,
Cobb,	Mallary,
Colwell,	May,
Copley,	McKay,
Dunlap,	McKerns
Dusseau,	Mickley,
Fisher,	Monroe,
Forbes,	Morton,
Graham,	Munger,
Green,	Nowland,
Griswold,	Newcomb
Haire,	O'Grady,
Haynes,	Osborn,
Hazen,	Pack,
	NAYS.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Green,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the
ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 80, entitled

A bill making an appropriation
the Asylum for the Deaf and Dumb a
1863 and 1864,

Was read a third time, and pending
on the passage thereof,

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The bill was laid on the table.

Senate bill No. 79, entitled

A bill to legalize the tax roll of the
county of Newaygo, for the year 1864

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. O. F. Howard,	Mr. Phillips,	
A. Allen,	Jenness,	Pitts,	
G. W. Allen,	J. H. Jones,	Reed,	
Ball,	G. C. Jones,	Rowe,	
Bartow,	Keeler,	Runyan,	
Beach,	Kenney,	Sanderson,	
Boies,	Laing,	Schars,	
Bond,	Landon,	Seymour,	
Brockway,	Lapham,	L. Smith,	
Camburn,	Lewis,	Stewart,	
Carleton,	Luther,	Swift,	
Chipman,	Mallary,	Taylor,	
Cobb,	Maxwell,	Utley,	
Colwell,	May,	Warner,	
Copley,	McKay,	Welch,	
Dunlap,	McKernan,	Wells,	
Dusseau,	Mickley,	Wendell,	
Fellows,	Monroe,	White,	
Forbes,	Morton,	Wilcox,	
Graham,	Munger,	Willits,	
Green,	Newcomb,	Williams,	
Griswold,	Nixon,	Winsor,	
Haire,	Nowland,	Woodman,	
Haynes,	O'Grady,	Woodruff,	
Hazen,	Osborn,	Woodward,	
M. D. Howard,	Packard,	Speaker,	78
	NAYS.		0

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. G. W. Allen,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following resolution:

Whereas, By the direct and excise tax law of the United States, all sail vessels are taxed two and a half per centum on their gross earnings;

And whereas, Sail vessels are liable to pay the still further sum of five per centum on their net earnings, thereby paying upon their net earnings twice over, and in case of actual loss,

as is frequently the case with
excise tax upon that which is not
for

Be it Resolved, (the Senate and
Congress are hereby instructed
hereby requested, to use all hon
peal of such act or part of act
collection of excise tax upon said
our inland lakes.

Resolved, That the Governor
to transmit a copy of this preamble
our Senators and Representatives

On motion of Mr. Morton,

The resolution was laid on the

Also, the following concurrent

Resolved, (the Senate and
Congress are hereby instructed,
hereby requested, to use all hon
change of the name of Bell River
county, town of Cottrelville, to be
Which was adopted.

GENERAL ORDER

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The House went into committee
order,

Mr. Chipman in the chair.

After some time spent therein
through the chairman, made the fol

The committee of the whole have
the following entitled bill;

Senate bill No 18, entitled

A bill to authorize the townships
in the county of Muskegon, and the
in the county of Ottawa, to aid in the
road from the village of Muskegon to

Have made some amendments thereto, and have directed their chairman to report the same back to the House, asking concurrence therein, and recommend its passage.

J. LOGAN CHIPMAN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the amendments made to the bill, *in gross.*

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. J. H. Jones,

The House took a recess until 2 o'clock this afternoon.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

SPECIAL ORDER OF THE DAY,

Being the consideration of the following resolutions, reported by the majority of the special committee on elections:

Whereas, By the Constitution of Michigan, the judicial power and authority to "judge of the qualifications, elections and returns of its members," are vested in each House of the Legislature;

And whereas, At the commencement of this session, in judging of the election of members, whose right to seats in this House depended upon the legality and validity of the soldiers' votes, under the act entitled "an act to enable the qualified electors of this State, in the military service, to vote at certain elections," &c., it was then judicially declared by this House, that said votes should be regarded in determining the question of election, upon which determination and decision, members were admitted to seats on this floor; therefore

1. *Resolved*, That in the opinion and judgment of this

House, it would be a dang
of power on the part of th
said determination and dec
House such members as n
the soldiers' votes, cast in
cited.

2. *Resolved*, That the pr
vany, asking for the seat
George R. McKay, be not
R. McKay be and he is her

3. *Resolved*, That the pe
the seat in this body now c
county of Jackson, be not
Fisher be and he is hereby

4. *Resolved*, That the pe
county, for the seat now o
granted, and that the said I
confirmed in his seat.

5. *Resolved*, That the pe
Macomb county, for the sea
Peter Schars, be not granted
be and he is hereby confir

6. *Resolved*, That the peti
tenaw county, asking for th
Clements, be not granted, a
be and he is hereby confir

7. *Resolved*, That the peti
Allegan county, asking for
pied by William Packard, b
William Packard be and he

8. *Resolved*, That the pe
asking for the seat now occ
body, be not granted, and th
he is hereby confirmed in his

9. *Resolved*, That the peti
ing for the seat now occupie

be not granted, and that the said James Bayley be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat.

10. *Resolved*, That the petition of Solomon O. Bignall, asking for the seat in this body now occupied by Wm. Ball, be not granted, and that the said Wm. Ball be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat.

11. *Resolved*, That the petition of Henry B. Hawley, asking for the seat in this body now occupied by John D. Woodworth, from the county of Ingham, be not granted, and that the said John D. Woodworth be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat.

Also, the following resolution, reported by a minority of the same committee:

Whereas, Solomon L. Bignall was duly elected a Representative from the first representative district of Livingston county, by a majority of all the votes cast, exclusive of the votes of soldiers in the field;

And whereas, William Ball holds a seat in this House, as Representative from said first district of Livingston county, having been awarded said seat on the ground that he had received a majority of all the votes cast, if the votes of soldiers in the field were included;

And whereas, The act giving to soldiers in the field the right to vote, has been declared unconstitutional by the Supreme Court;

And whereas, It is the duty of the Legislature to act in accordance with the decisions of the Supreme Court, upon the constitutionality of statutes; therefore

Resolved, That Solomon L. Bignall be admitted to the seat in this House now held by William Ball, as representative from the first representative district of Livingston county.

Also, the following resolutions, reported by a minority of the same committee:

Resolved, That in all cases where the question of the right to the seat has been definitely passed upon by the House, this House will not re-open the case for examination and decision,

unless there was an express under might be continued after such decision.

Resolved, That in all cases not decided by the House, the contestants are entitled to be referred to the proper committee, and if it is so ordered by a majority of the house vote, they should at once be admitted to their seats.

Mr. Griswold moved that the House first, resolution No. 4, reported by the committee on elections, as follows:

4. *Resolved*, That the petition of the county, for the seat now occupied by Lucien, be granted, and that the said Lucien be confirmed in his seat;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Wells then offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That Joseph C. Bailey be seated in this House, now held by Lucien, in the first representative district of the county.

Mr. Mickley offered the following substitute:

Resolved, That in all cases where the seat has been definitely passed by the House will not reopen the case unless there was an express under might be continued after such decision.

Resolved, That in all cases not decided by the House, the contestants are entitled to be referred to the proper committee, and if it is so ordered by a majority of the house vote, as they should at once be admitted to their seats.

Which was ruled out of order.

Mr. Wells then demanded the yeas and nays of the substitute offered by him.

The demand was seconded, and the substitute was not adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bartow, Bond, Chipman, Colwell, Copley, Dort, Dusseau, Forbes,	Mr. Haire, Horton, M. D. Howard, O. F. Howard, J. H. Jones, Look, Maxwell, May,	Mr. McKernan, Morton, Nowland, O'Grady, Pitte, Seymour, Wells, Wendell,	24
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NAYS.

Mr. Aitkin, A. Allen, G. W. Allen, Bayley, Ball, Beach, Boies, Brockway, Camburn, Carleton, Cobb, Dunlap, Fellows, Fisher, Graham, Green, Griswold, Haynes, Jenness, Jewell, G. C. Jones,	Mr. Keeler, Kenney, Laing, Landon, Lapham, Lewis, Mallory, Mickley, Munger, Newcomb, Nixon, Osborn, Pack, Packard, Phillips, Rowe, Runyan, Sanderson, Schars, Shier, Slocum,	Mr. L. Smith, W. T. Smith, Stewart, Swift, Taylor, Thayer, Thomas, Utley, Warner, Welch, White, Wilcox, Willits, Williams, Winsor, Woodman, Woodruff, Woodward, Woodworth, Yawkey, Speaker,	68
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Mr. Mickley then offered the following as a substitute for the original resolution:

Resolved, That in all cases where the question of the right to the seat has been definitely passed upon by the House, this House will not re-open the case for examination and decision, unless there was an express understanding that the contest might be continued after such decision.

Resolved, That in all cases not definitely passed upon by the House, the contestants are entitled to present their case before

the proper committee, and if it is
by a majority of the home vote,
should at once be admitted to their

Which was not adopted.

The question recurring on the ac
lution,

Mr. M. D. Howard demanded the

The demand was seconded, and
by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Kenney,
A. Allen,	Laing,
G. W. Allen,	Landon,
Bayley,	Lapham,
Ball,	Lewis,
Beach,	Mallary,
Boies,	McKay,
Brockway,	Mickley,
Camburn,	Monroe,
Carleton,	Munger,
Cobb,	Newcom,
Dunlap,	Nixon,
Fellows,	Osborn,
Fisher,	Pack,
Graham.	Packard,
Green,	Phillips,
Griswold,	Rowe,
Haynes,	Runyan,
Jenness,	Sanderso
Jewell,	Schars,
G. C. Jones,	Shier,
Keeler,	Slocum,

NAYS

Mr. Bartow,	Mr. Haire,
Bond,	Horton,
Chipman,	M. D. Ho
Colwell,	O. F. Ho
Copley,	J. H. Jor
Dort,	Look,
Dusseau,	Maxwell
Forbes,	May,

Pending the announcement of tl

Messrs. Bonine and Luther asked to be, and were, excused from voting.

Mr. Griswold moved that the House next consider resolution No. 9, of the majority report, as follows:

9. *Resolved*, That the petition of Benj. F. McDonald, asking for the seat now occupied in this body by James Bayley, be not granted, and that the said James Bayley be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Wells offered the following as a substitute therefor:

Resolved, That Benjamin F. McDonald be admitted to the seat in this House now held by James Bayley, as Representative from the first representative district of Oakland county;

Which was not adopted.

Mr. Wells demanded the yeas and nays on the adoption of the original resolution;

The demand was seconded, and the resolution was adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken	Mr. Kenney,	Mr. Slocum,
A. Allen,	Laing,	L. Smith,
G. W. Allen,	Landon,	Stewart,
Ball,	Lapham,	Swift,
Beach,	Lewis,	Taylor,
Boies,	Mallary,	Thayer,
Brockway,	McKay,	Thomas,
Camburn,	Mickley,	Utleigh,
Carleton,	Monroe,	Warner,
Cobb,	Munger,	Welch,
Dunlap,	Newcomb,	White,
Fellows,	Nixon,	Wilcox,
Fisher,	Osborn,	Willits,
Graham,	Pack,	Williams,
Green,	Packard,	Winsor,
Griswold,	Phillips,	Woodman,
Haynes,	Reed,	Woodruff,
Hazen,	Rowe,	Woodward,
Jenness,	Runyan,	Woodworth,

Jewell,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,

Sanders
Schars,
Shier,

NAY

Mr. Bartow,
Bond,
Chipman,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dussean,
Forbes,

Mr. Haire,
Horton,
M. D. H
O. F. H
J. H. J
Look,
Maxwel
May,

Mr. Wilcox moved that the H
resolution No. 2, reported by t
mittee;

Mr. Griswold moved as a sub
House take up and consider res

Which motion prevailed.

The question being upon the
being as follows:

11. *Resolved*, That the petiti
for the seat in this body now oc
from the county of Ingham, be
John D. Woodworth be, and he

Mr. Wells offered the followi

Resolved, That Henry B. Ha
this House now held by John l
from the second representativ

Which was not adopted.

Mr. O'Grady demanded the
the original resolution.

The demand was seconded,
by yeas and nays, as follows:

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,

Mr. Kee
Ke
Lai
Lai
Lai

Beach,
Boies,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Dunlap,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Jenness,
Jewell,
G. C. Jones,

Lewis,
Mallery,
McKay,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,

Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Uiley,
Warner,
Welch,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

NAYS.

Mr. Bartow,
Bond,
Chipman,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dussean,
Forbes,

Mr. Haire,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
J. H. Jones,
Look,
Maxwell,
May,

Mr. McKernan,
Morton,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pitts,
Seymour,
Wells,
Wendell,

Mr. Griswold moved that the House next consider resolution No. 6, reported by the majority of the select committee;

Mr. Wilcox moved as a substitute for the motion the House consider resolution No. 2;

Which was not agreed to.

The motion of Mr. Griswold was agreed to.

The question being upon the adoption of the resolution being as follows:

6. *Resolved*, That the petition of John F. Miller, of Washtenaw county, asking for the seat now occupied by James Clements, be not granted, and that the said James Clements be confirmed in his seat;

Mr. Wells offered the following as a substitute therefor

Resolved, That John F. Miller be admitted to the seat in the House now held by James Clements, as representative of the second representative district of Washtenaw county;

Mr. M. D. Howard demanded t
tion of the substitute;

The demand was seconded, and
by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS	
Mr. G. W. Allen,	Mr. Forbes,
Bartow,	Haire,
Bond,	Horton,
Chipman,	M. D. H
Colwell,	O. F. I
Copley,	J. H. J.
Dort,	Look,
Dunlap,	Maxwe
Dusseau,	May,
NAYS	

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Laing,
A. Allen,	Landon
Bayley,	Laphar
Ball,	Lewis,
Beach,	Mallar
Boies,	McKay
Brockway,	Monro
Camburn,	Munge
Carleton,	Newco
Cobb,	Nixon,
Fellows,	Osborn
Fisher,	Pack,
Graham,	Packa
Green,	Phillip
Griswold,	Reed,
Haynes,	Rowe,
Hazen,	Runys
Jenness,	Sande
Jewell,	Schari
G. C. Jones,	Shier,
Keeler,	Slocum
Kenney,	

The question recurring on the
Intion,

Mr. Bond demanded the yeas

The demand was seconded, and
by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitkin,
A. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Beach,
Boies,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haynes,
Hazen,
G. O. Jones,
Jenness,
Jewell,
Keeler,

Mr. Kenney,
Laing,
Landon,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Mallory,
McKay,
Monroe,
Munger,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Phillips,
Reed,
Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Shier,

Mr. Slocum,
L. Smith,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Thomas,
Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker, 68

NAYS.

Mr. G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Bond,
Chipman,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dussean,
Forbes,

Mr. Haire,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
J. H. Jones,
Look,
Maxwell,
May,
McKernan,

Mr. Mickley,
Morton,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Pitts,
Seymour,
Wells,
Wendell, 26

On motion of Mr. Griswold,

The House proceeded to consider resolution No. 2, as reported by the majority of the select committee on elections, it being as follows:

2. *Resolved*, That the prayer of the petition of Peter Mulvany, asking for the seat in this House now occupied by George R. McKay, be not granted, and that the said George R. McKay be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat.

Mr. Wells offered the following as a substitute therefor:

Resolved, That Peter Mulvany be admitted to the seat in

this House now held by George I
from the second representative di

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Maxwell,

The House took a recess until

—
EVENING :

The House met, and was called

Roll called: quorum present.

The House resumed the consid
lution:

2. *Resolved*, That the prayer o
asking for the seat in this House
McKay, be not granted, and tha
be and he is hereby confirmed in

To which was pending the fo
Mr. Wells,

Resolved, That Peter Mulvan
this House now occupied by G
tive from the second representa

Pending the adoption of the :

On motion of Mr. Welch,

The House adjourned until to

—
Lansin

The House met, pursuant to
order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Burgess.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without
Vleet.

Mr. Mallary asked and obt
Oady, for an indefinite time, or

Mr. Landon asked and obtained leave of absence for himself until Tuesday next.

Mr. Aitken asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Van Vleet, until Monday next.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Bond: petition of John Bagley & Co., and 24 others, for a board of public works in the city of Detroit;

Referred to the committee on the judiciary.

By Mr. G. C. Jones: petition of George H. Satterlee, James Shingleton, Phillip R. Roberts, Jr., and 146 others, residents of Eagle Harbor township, Keweenaw county, praying for the division of said township into new townships, according to the bills for such purpose, now before the Legislature;

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones,

The petition was laid on the table, and ordered printed in the journal.

The following is the petition:

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the State of Michigan:

The undersigned, residents of the township of Eagle Harbor, in the county of Keweenaw, petition your honorable bodies to have the said township divided, in accordance with specifications submitted.

REPORTS OF STANDING COMMITTEES.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was referred A bill to aid in the construction of the East Saginaw and Junction State road, and apply certain non-resident highway taxes thereon,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee

The bill was ordered printed, r
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By the committee on federal rel

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Joint resolution calling the atte
safe condition of the Waugoosha
of Michilimackinac,

Respectfully report that they ha
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subject.

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Report accepted and committee

The joint resolution was ord
committee of the whole, and pla

By the committee on federal r

The committee on federal rela

Senate joint resolution No. 2,

Joint resolution asking Congr
in the construction of a ship car
la Belle, so as to form a safe har

Respectfully report that they
sideration, and have directed i
the House, without amendment,
and ask to be discharged from
subject.

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Report accepted and committ

On motion of Mr. G. C. Jones

The joint resolution was plac
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MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR.

The Speaker announced the following:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE,
Lansing, February 22, 1865. }

To the House of Representatives:

I have this day approved, signed and deposited in the office of the Secretary of State, the following, viz:

An act to amend an act entitled an act to incorporate the city of Jackson, approved February 14, 1857;

Also,

An act to extend to actual settlers on the public lands certain rights and privileges as freeholders;

Also,

An act to provide for the laying out and establishing of a State road, to be known as the Ovid and St. Charles State road, and appropriating certain swamp lands for the construction of the same;

Also,

An act changing the name of the township of Leonard, in the county of Mecosta, to that of Big Rapids;

Also,

Joint resolution asking an appropriation of lands by Congress, to endow female colleges in the several States.

HENRY H. CRAPO.

The message was laid on the table.

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE.

The Speaker announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 23, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 64, entitled

A bill to authorize the Detroit River Plank Road Company to discontinue and abandon a portion of their road;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a ma-

majority vote of all the Senators elect to take immediate effect by a Senators elect.

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The bill was referred to the enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced

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To the Speaker of the House of R

Sir—I am instructed by the the following concurrent resolution

Whereas, The water in Lake three feet than at the time of drought

And whereas, Observations greater fall of the water of said the next two years, thereby great thoroughfare to the large the carrying trade, almost impossible to their owners;

And whereas, The great and the carrying trade, depend to a certain navigation of this thoroughfare the citizens of this State States of the West;

And whereas, It is indispensable not only of the State, but to the St. Clair Flats be deepened and make them navigable to all the extensive commerce of the entire

Resolved, (the Senate and Congress are hereby instructed, and requested, to use all honorable means of a bill appropriating such

deepen the south channel on St. Clair Flats, to a depth that there shall be thirteen feet of water in said channel, at low water mark.

Resolved, That the Governor be, and he is hereby requested to transmit a copy of this preamble and resolution to each of our Senators and Representatives in Congress;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The resolution was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 24, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following concurrent resolution:

Resolved by the House of Representatives, (the Senate concurring,) That on this anniversary of the birth-day of the father of his country, the thanks of this Legislature, and through us, of the people of the State, are hereby tendered to the soldiers of Michigan, who promptly responded to the call of their country in its time of peril, and who, by their fortitude and soldierly bearing, under the privations and hardships of a soldier's life, "in camp and field, through march and siege," and by their indomitable bravery and heroism on scores of battle-fields, have won exalted honor to themselves, and crowned with unfading glory the name and fame of Michigan.

Resolved, (the Senate concurring,) That the Clerk of this House be, and he is hereby requested, to forward a copy of the foregoing resolution to each of the regiments and batteries of Michigan soldiers now in the field;

In the passage of which the Sc
jority vote of all the Senators ele
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The resolution was referred
ment and enrollment, for enrollm
The Speaker also announced

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To the Speaker of the House of R
SIR—I am instructed by the S
the following bill:

House bill No 48, entitled

A bill to legalize the action o
counties, in raising bounties for

To which the Senate made su
House concurred, with the follo
amendment made by the Senate

By inserting the word "or"
and "city," in the proviso to s
Senate substituted for the orig
by striking out the words' "or
in said proviso;

And to inform the House tha
said amendment.

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The bill was referred to the
enrollment, for enrollment.

MOTIONS, RESOLU

Mr. Williams offered the fol
Resolved, That the Clerk of
authorized to employ such as
sary, during the remainder of

Which was adopted.

Mr. Williams offered the following:

Whereas, The President of the Agricultural College, together with the State Board of Agriculture, did refuse to give the committee on education and agriculture, acting as a joint committee on the management and affairs of said Institution, any explanation of their violation of the statute of their organization in paying \$500 extra salary to their Secretary;

And whereas, They could give no information or answer respecting the value of vegetable products raised in the garden or on the farm;

And whereas, The said President and Board refused to give your committee any information, either written or verbal, respecting the aggregate number of bushels of grain of all descriptions, or the money value of the crops raised upon said farm, or what disposition is made of the same;

And whereas, A large amount of money has been paid and charged for "office, &c.," and "salary, &c.," of the Secretary, leaving a false impression that said charges were for rent of office;

And whereas, Said Board have, without authority of law, as is believed, entirely changed the character and design of said Institution;

And whereas, In the opinion of some of your committee, the said Board and Faculty have assumed illegal and unwarrantable powers in the management and conduct of said College affairs; therefore

Resolved, That a special committee, consisting of five members, be appointed, with power to send for persons and papers, to so place before this House and the people of the State a true and correct statement of the financial condition of said Agricultural College.

Mr. Luther moved to lay the preamble and resolution on the table;

Which motion was withdrawn.

Pending the adoption of the resolution,

Mr. Maxwell offered the following
Resolved, That the preamble
Williams, of Van Buren, in relation
be expunged from the records of

On motion of Mr. Seymour,

The whole resolutions were laid

Mr. Boies offered the following

Resolved, That hereafter, every
member of this House shall occur
at a time in addressing this House
than twice upon any one question

Mr. O'Grady moved to lay the

Which motion did not prevail

Mr. Look moved to amend the
word "fifteen," before the word
lieu thereof the word "twenty

Pending which,

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The resolution was laid on the

Mr. Phillips moved to discharge
from the further consideration

A bill to provide for the laying
of a certain State road in the
county of Shiawassee;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Phillips,

The bill was placed on the

Mr. Brockway offered the following

Resolved, That the Speaker
inform this House which of
with the duty of carrying the
Provided, the public good,
thereby;

Which was withdrawn.

Mr. Winsor moved that the
supplies be charged with the

ger boys properly perform the duties devolving upon them in the future;

Mr. Woodman moved to amend the motion by striking out the words "chairman of the committee on supplies," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "Sergeant-at-Arms;"

Which amendment was accepted.

The motion, as amended, then prevailed.

Mr. Dusseau offered the following:

Resolved, That the committee on ways and means be, and they are hereby requested, to secure proper means to purchase one more chair at least, for the use of the members of this House, and half a dozen, if possible;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Horton moved that the committee on towns and counties be requested to report back forthwith to this House, Senate bill No. 14, entitled

A bill to consolidate the townships of China and East China, in the county of St. Clair, and organize therefrom the townships of Carleton and China;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Swift moved to discharge the committee of the whole from the further consideration of House bill No. 134, entitled

A bill to authorize fractional school district No. 2, of the townships of Plymouth and Novi, in the counties of Wayne and Oakland, to issue bonds;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Swift,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

THIRD READING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS.

Senate bill No. 13, entitled

A bill to authorize the townships of Muskegon and Norton, in the county of Muskegon, and the township of Spring Lake, in the county of Ottawa, to aid in the construction of a wagon road from the village of Muskegon to the village of Ferrysburg,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Mr. Aitken, Mr.
 A. Allen,
 G. W. Allen,
 Bayley,
 Ball,
 Bartow,
 Boies,
 Bond,
 Bonine,
 Brockway,
 Camburn,
 Carleton,
 Cobb,
 Copley,
 Dort,
 Dunlap,
 Dusseau,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Forbes,
 Gies,
 Graham,
 Green,
 Haire,
 Haynes,
 Hazen,
 Horton,
 M. D. Howard,

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Carleton

By a vote of two-thirds ordered to take immediate

House bill No. 134, entitled

A bill to authorize fractional townships of Plymouth and Oakland, to issue bonds

Was read a third time and members elect voting therefor, by

Mr. Aitken, Mr. O.
 G. W. Allen, Jer

Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,

Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Kenney,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Luther,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Packard,
Phillips,
Pitts,
Rowe,

Schars,
Seymour,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thayer,
Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Swift,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to provide for the laying out, opening and establishing of a certain State road in the township of Shiawassee, in the county of Shiawassee,

Was read a third time and not passed, a majority of all the members elect not voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Bartow,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Forbes,
Graham,
Haire,
M. D. Howard,
Jewell,

Mr. G. C. Jones,
Luther,
May,
McKernan,
Newcomb,
Phillips,
Runyan,
L. Smith,

Mr. Taylor,
Thayer,
Utley,
Wells,
Wendell,
Woodman,
Yawkey,

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Mr. Aitken, M
 G. W. Allen,
 Bayley,
 Ball,
 Beach,
 Boies,
 Bond,
 Bonine,
 Camburn,
 Dort,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Green,
 Haynes,
 Hazen,
 Horton,
 O. F. Howard,

Mr. Hazen moved to
 refused to pass the bill;

Which motion prevail

On motion of Mr. Phi

The bill was recomm
 bridges.

Senate joint resolution

Joint resolution asking

in the construction of a
 la Belle, so as to form a

Was read a third time
 bers elect voting therefor

Mr. Aitkin, Mr.
 G. W. Allen,
 Bayley,
 Ball,
 Bartow,
 Beach,
 Boies,
 Bond,
 Bonine,
 Camburn,
 Carleton,

Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,

May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Morton,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Packard,
Phillips,
Rowe,

Welch,
Wells,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Title and preamble agreed to.

UNFINISHED BUSINESS,

Being the consideration of the following resolutions:

Whereas, By the Constitution of Michigan, the judicial power and authority to "judge of the qualifications, elections and returns of its members," are vested in each House of the Legislature;

And whereas, At the commencement of this session, in judging of the election of members, whose right to seats in this House depended upon the legality and validity of the soldiers' votes, under the act entitled "an act to enable the qualified electors of this State, in the military service, to vote at certain elections," etc., it was then judicially declared by this House, that said votes should be regarded in determining the question of election, upon which determination and decision, members were admitted to seats on this floor; therefore

1. *Resolved*, That in the opinion and judgment of this House, it would be a dangerous and unjustifiable exercise of power on the part of this body, to revoke and set aside said determination and decision, and thereby eject from this House such members as may hold their seats by virtue of the soldiers' votes, last in pursuance of the act above recited.

2. *Resolved*, That the prayer of the petition of Peter Mulvany, asking for the seat in this House now occupied by Geo. R. Mc-

Kay, be not granted, and that
and he is hereby confirmed in his

3. *Resolved*, That the petition
seat in this body now occupied
of Jackson, be not granted, and
and he is hereby confirmed in his

5. *Resolved*, That the petition of
comb county, for the seat now
not granted, and that the said Pete
confirmed in his seat.

7. *Resolved*, That the petition of
Allegan county, asking for the sea
by William Packard, be not granted
Packard be and he is hereby confirm

8. *Resolved*, That the petition of M
for the seat now occupied by E. J. B
granted, and that the said E. J. Boni
confirmed in his seat.

10. *Resolved*, That the petition of S
for the seat in this body now occupie
granted, and that the said William B
confirmed in his seat.

The House having partially conside
and the question pending being upon
substitute therefor, offered by Mr. We

Resolved, That Peter Mulvany be
this House now occupied by George I
tive from the second representative Di

Pending the question of the adoptio

On motion of Mr. Utley,

The resolutions were made the specia
at 2 o'clock.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Being the consideration of concurr
state of the Union;

Mr. Brockway moved to pass over the order for the day.

Mr. Morton moved to lay the resolutions on the table;

Which was not agreed to.

Mr. Newcomb moved to postpone the consideration of the resolutions for one week;

Which motion was withdrawn.

The motion of Mr. Brockway then prevailed.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. O'Grady,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Stewart in the chair.

After some time spent therein, the committee rose, and through the chairman, made the following report:

The committee of the whole have had under consideration the following entitled bill:

House bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to organize the township of Olifton;

Have made some progress therein, but not having gone through therewith, have directed their chairman to report that fact to the House, and ask leave to sit again.

EDWIN STEWART, *Chairman.*

Report accepted, and leave granted the committee to sit again.

On motion of Mr. Utley,

The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

2 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Being the consideration of the first, second, third, fifth, seventh, eighth and tenth resolutions reported by the select committee on elections.

The House having partition, being as follows:

2. *Resolved*, That the pravy, asking for the seat George R. McKay, be not granted; McKay be and he is hereby offered by Mr. Wells:

To which was pending the offered by Mr. Wells:

Resolved, That Peter Mulvan House now occupied by George from the second representative

Pending the adoption of the a Mr. M. D. Howard moved that Which motion prevailed.

PROCEEDINGS UN

The roll of the House was calling members were reported as G. W. Allen, Green, Griswold, Mu Taylor.

Mr. Shier moved that Mr. Packance, on account of sickness;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Stewart moved that Mr. W. T. attendance, on account of sickness;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Woodman moved that all further call be dispensed with;

Which motion did not prevail.

Mr. Shier moved to reconsider the refused to excuse Mr. Pack;

Which motion prevailed.

The motion to excuse Mr. Pack the

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The Sergeant-at-Arms was dispatched

Mr. Chipman moved to reconsider House refused to excuse Mr. W. T. S.

Which ~~motion~~ prevailed.

The ~~motion~~ to excuse Mr. W. T. Smith then prevailed.

On ~~motion~~ of Mr. Hazen,

All further proceedings under the call were dispensed with.

Pending the question on the adoption of the substitute,

On ~~motion~~ of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House took a recess until this evening at 7 o'clock.

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EVENING SESSION.

7 o'clock P. M.

The House met, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Being the consideration of the first, second, third, fifth, seventh, eighth and tenth resolutions, reported by the majority of the select committee on elections.

The House having partially considered the second resolution, as follows:

2. *Resolved*, That the prayer of the petition of Peter Mulvany, asking for the seat in this House now occupied by George R. McKay, be not granted, and that the said George R. McKay be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat;

To which was pending the following substitute therefor:

Resolved, That Peter Mulvany be admitted to the seat in this House now occupied by George R. McKay, as representative from the second representative district of Calhoun county;

Mr. Warner demanded the previous question;

Mr. Pitts moved that there be a call of the House;

Which motion did not prevail.

The demand for the previous question was seconded, and the main question ordered.

Mr. Chipman demanded the yeas and nays on the adoption of the substitute;

The demand was seconded, and the substitute was not adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

Mr. G. W. Allen,	Mr. Ha
Bartow,	Ha
Boies,	Ho
Bond,	M.
Brockway,	O.
Chipman,	J. E
Copley,	Lap
Dort,	Loo
Dunlap,	Max
Dusseau,	May
Gies,	McK
Green,	Mick
Haire,	Now
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Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Kenn
A. Allen,	Laing
Bayley,	Lewis
Ball,	Malla
Beach,	Newc
Camburn,	Nixon
Carleton,	Packa
Cobb,	Reed,
Fellows,	Runya
Fisher,	Sander
Graham,	Schara
Griswold,	Shier,
Jenness,	Slocum
Jewell,	L. Smit
Keeler,	Taylor,

The question recurring on the
lution,

Mr. Wells demanded the yeas a

The demand was seconded, and
by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS

Mr. Aitkin,	Mr. Kenny,
A. Allen,	Laing,
Bayley,	Lewis,
Ball,	Mallary,
Beach,	Nixon,
Camburn,	Packard,
Carleton,	Reed,
Cobb,	Runyan,

Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Griswold,
Jenness,
Jewell,
Keeler,

Sanderson,
Schars,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Taylor,

Williams,
Winsor,
Woodruff,
Woodworth,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Boies,
Bond,
Chipman,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Gies,
Green,
Haire,

Mr. Hawley,
Haynes,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
J. H. Jones,
Lapham,
Look,
Maxwell,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Morton,

Mr. O'Grady,
Osborn,
Phillips,
Pitts,
Rowe,
Seymour,
Stewart,
Swift,
Wells,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Woodman, 36

On motion of Mr. Horton,

Mr. Brockway was excused from voting.

Mr. Griswold moved that the House next consider resolution No. 3, as follows:

3. *Resolved*, That the petition of Abram M. Crawford, for the seat in this body now occupied by Delos Fisher, of the county of Jackson, be not granted, and that the said Delos Fisher be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Wells offered the following as a substitute therefor:

Resolved, That Abram M. Crawford be admitted to the seat in this House, now held by Delos Fisher, as representative from the second representative district of Jackson county;

Mr. Wells demanded the yeas and nays on the adoption of the substitute;

The demand was seconded, and the substitute was not adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. G. W. Allen,
Bartow,
Boies,

Mr. Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,

Mr. Osborn,
Phillips,
Pitts,

Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Green,
Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,

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Mr. Aitken,
Bayley,
Ball,
Beach,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Fellows,
Graham,
Griswold,
Jenness,
Jewell,
Keeler,
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The original resolution was

Mr. Griswold moved that the
No. 10, as follows:

10. *Resolved*, That the petition
for the seat in this body now o
granted, and that the said Will
confirmed in his seat;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Wells offered the following

Resolved, That Solomon L. Big
in this House now held by W
from the first representative dist

Which was not adopted.

The original resolution was the

Mr. Griswold moved that the H
No. 5, as follows:

5. *Resolved*, That the petition of
comb county, for the seat now o

not granted, and that the said Peter Schars be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Wells offered the following as a substitute therefor:

Resolved, That George R. Stewart be admitted to the seat in this House now held by Peter Schars, as Representative from the first representative district of Macomb county;

Which was not adopted.

The original resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Griswold moved that the House next consider resolution No. 7, as follows:

7. *Resolved*, That the petition of Philetus O. Littlejohn, of Allegan county, asking for the seat in this body now occupied by William Packard, be not granted, and that the said William Packard be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Wells offered the following as a substitute therefor:

Resolved, That Philetus O. Littlejohn be admitted to the seat in this House now held by William Packard, as Representative from the first representative district of Allegan county;

Which was not adopted.

The original resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Griswold moved that the House next consider resolution No. 8, as follows:

8. *Resolved*, That the petition of Martin V. B. Charles, asking for the seat now occupied by E. J. Bonine in this body, be not granted, and that the said E. J. Bonine be and he is hereby confirmed in his seat;

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. Wells offered the following as a substitute therefor:

Resolved, That Martin V. B. Charles be admitted to the seat in this House now held by Evan J. Bonine, as Representative from the third representative district of Berrien county;

Which was not adopted.

The original resolution was then adopted.

Mr. Griswold moved that the preamble and first resolution of the session

Whereas, By the Constitution of 1850, the power and authority to "judge of the qualifications and returns of its members," are vested in the Legislature;

And whereas, At the commencement of the election of members, when the House depended upon the legality of the votes, under the act entitled "an act to regulate the elections of this State, in the military elections," etc., it was then judicially determined that said votes should be regarded as valid in the election, upon which determination they were admitted to seats on this floor; therefore

1. *Resolved*, That in the opinion of the House it would be a dangerous and unjust action on the part of this body, to revoke an action and decision, and thereby eject members as may hold their seats by vote cast in pursuance of the act above recited.

Which motion prevailed.

Mr. M. D. Howard demanded the adoption of the preamble and resolution.

The demand was seconded, and the same were adopted, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Beach,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Cobb,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Graham,
Griswold,

Mr. Kenny,
Laing,
Lewis,
Mallory,
McKay,
Nixon,
Packard,
Reed,
Runyan,
Sanders,
Schars,
Shier,

Jenness,
Jewell,
Keeler,

Slocum,
L. Smith,
Taylor,

Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. G. W. Allen,
Boies,
Copley,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Green,
Hawley,

Mr. Haynes,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
J. H. Jones,
Look,
Mickley,
Morton,

Mr. Osborn,
Rowe,
Seymour,
Wells,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Woodman, 21

Mr. Griswold moved to reconsider the vote by which the resolution was adopted;

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The motion to reconsider was laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. J. H. Jones,

The House adjourned until to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Saturday, February 25, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Hickox.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Monroe, Phillips, Seymour, Thayer, Welch and Woodworth.

Mr. Ball asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, for an indefinite time, from and after to-day, on account of sickness.

Mr. Maxwell asked and obtained leave of absence for himself, until Wednesday next.

Mr. Haynes asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Monroe, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Laing asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Phillips, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Luther asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Seymour, until Tuesday next.

Mr. L. Smith asked and obtained self, for an indefinite time, from as

Mr. Keeler asked and obtained Thayer, for an indefinite time.

Mr. Wells asked and obtained 1 for an indefinite time, from and aft

Mr. M. D. Howard asked and ob Mr. Woodworth, for an indefinite ti

The Speaker announced to the H ther, Representative from the secon Ottawa county, had filed with him 1 of the present House of Representa

PRESENTATION OF P

By Mr. Jewell: petition of N. Sh others, residents of Courtland town for the formation of the county of Gr

Referred to the committee on town

By Mr. Copley: petition of Ira Bro of Lagrange township, Cass county, said township, in voting certain bou galized;

Referred to the committee on war

REPORTS OF STANDING C

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to w manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to legalize the organization of the township of Spalding, in the c

Respectfully report that they have sideration, and have directed me to the House, without amendment, as pass, and ask to be discharged from t the subject.

B. M.

Report accepted and committee dis

The bill was ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on the judiciary:

The committee on the judiciary, to whom was referred

A bill to punish the recruiting of men for the volunteer service of other States,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the following substitute therefor, to the House, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. D. GRISWOLD, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Green,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on roads and bridges:

The committee on roads and bridges, to whom was recommended Senate bill No. 78, entitled

A bill to provide for the laying out, opening and establishing of a certain State road in the township of Shiawassee, in the county of Shiawassee,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, with the accompanying amendment, recommending that the amendment be concurred in, and that the bill, when so amended, do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

O. H. FELLOWS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Fellows,

The House concurred in the amendment made to the bill by the committee.

The question being upon the passage of the bill,

The bill was read a third time and all the members elect voting the yeas:

YEAS

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,

Mr. Haire,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Horton,
O. F. H.
Jennes,
Jewell,
J. H. J.
G. C. J.
Keeler,
Kenne-
Laing,
Lapham,
Look,
Mallory,
McKay,
Mickle-
Morton,
Newcom-
Osborn,
Packard,
Reed,
Rowe,

NAYS

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Laing,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members present, it was ordered to take immediate effect.

By the committee on banks and

The committee on banks and in-
ferred

1. A bill to revise the charter of
Also,

2. A bill to authorize the board
of Branch, to alter and amend the
Quincy, in said county;
Also,

3. A bill to provide for the incorporation of Protestant Reformed Dutch churches,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that the several bills do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The first named bill was placed on the order of third reading.

The second and third named bills were ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the Committee on banks and incorporations:

The committee on banks and incorporations, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the appointment of boards of trustees in the Methodist Episcopal Church, and for recording the same,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and, with the consent of the member who introduced the bill, have instructed me to report, as a substitute for the original, a bill entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the appointment of boards of trustees, in certain cases,

And recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Gies,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

MESSAGE

The Speaker announced

To the Speaker of the House

SM—I am instructed by the following bill:

Senate manuscript bill, en

A bill to revise the charte

Which has passed the S
Senators elect, and by a vot
elect, been ordered to take i
concurrence of the House is

Very

The bill was read a first and referred to the committee on bail.

The Speaker also announced

To the Speaker of the House of

Sm—I am instructed by the
the following bill:

House bill No. 108, entitled

A bill to amend an act enti-
city of East Saginaw," appro-
amended by an act entitled "An
5, of title 10, and section 6, of
10, of title 5; also by adding
as section 20, and sections 37,
act to incorporate the city of E
bruary 15, 1859, approved Febru

In the passage of which the S
jority vote of all the Senators elec

to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 25, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 87, entitled

A bill authorizing a change in the boundaries of the village of Sturgis, in the county of St. Joseph, and to authorize the common council of said village to organize under the general law for the incorporation of villages;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 25, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following joint resolution:

Senate manuscript joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of Cyrus Lee;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators

elect, been ordered to take
the concurrence of the House

The joint resolution was read
title, and referred to the committee.
The Speaker also announced

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives
SIR—I am instructed by the
the following bills:

1. Senate bill No. 86, entitled
A bill to amend section 88, relative to duties of county treasurer.
2. Senate bill No. 85, entitled

A bill to authorize the several
of the counties of Ingham, East
and Berrien, to loan money, payable
by tax, to aid in the construction
Lansing to the village of St. Joseph.

Which have passed the Senate
Senators elect, and in which the
respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,
J. W. Smith

The first named bill was read
title, and referred to the committee.

The second named bill was read
title, and referred to the committee.

The Speaker also announced

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives
SIR—I am instructed by the
the following bills:

1. House bill No. 94, entitled

A bill relative to the public schools of the city of Ann Arbor;

2. House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to extend the time for the collection of taxes in the township of Medina, Lenawee county, for the year 1864;

In the passage of which the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 25, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bills:

1. House bill No. 61, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the improvement of a certain road in the counties of Eaton and Ingham, approved March 19, 1863;

2. House bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled an act to provide for the improvement of the Detroit and Grand River road, approved March 20, 1863;

3. House bill No. 72, entitled

A bill to provide for the drainage and reclamation of swamp lands, by means of a road, to be known as the Cass River and Wild Fowl Bay State road;

4. House bill No. 63, entitled

A bill to provide for laying out and establishing a State road in Gratiot County;

In the passage of which the Seniority vote of all the Senators elect.

Very re

The several bills were referred to the committee on enrollment and enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the

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To the Speaker of the House of Rep

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to present the following joint resolution:

House joint resolution No. 12, en

Joint resolution to release to Jarvis the State of Michigan has i

In the passage of which the Seniority vote of all the Senators elect

Very re

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on enrollment and enrollment, for enrollment.

MOTIONS, RESOLUTIONS

Mr. Stewart offered the following

Resolved, That the Clerk of this House be authorized, as soon as practicable, to send a printed copy of House bill No. 17 to the clerk of each city and county for the action of certain townships, counties and bounties for volunteers;

Which was adopted.

Mr. Fellows offered the following

Resolved, That during the remainder of the session no member shall speak more than twice in the House or in committee of the

minutes the first time and five minutes the second time, except that by unanimous consent, five minutes additional time may be allowed at either time;

And be it further resolved, That during the remainder of this session, all rules contravening the provisions of the foregoing, be and the same are hereby suspended;

Mr. Brockway moved to amend the resolution by inserting after the words "committee of the whole," the words "except during evening sessions;"

Mr. Woodman moved to amend the amendment by adding to the words proposed to be inserted, the words "when considering the special order;"

Which amendment was accepted.

The amendment of Mr. Brockway, as amended, was then agreed to.

The resolution, as amended, was adopted, two-thirds of the members present voting therefor.

Mr. Brockway offered the following:

Whereas, The gentleman from Van Buren, Mr. Williams, has introduced into this House a preamble and resolutions making grave charges against the officers and managers of the Agricultural College; therefore

Resolved, That a committee of five be appointed to examine into the truth of said charges, and report to this House at their earliest convenience.

Mr. Chipman moved to amend the resolution by adding thereto the following: "and that the resolutions of Mr. Williams, making charges of corruption, malfeasance and mismanagement against the State Board of Agriculture and the management of the Agricultural College, be taken from the table and referred to such committee;"

Which amendment was accepted.

The resolution, as amended, was then adopted.

Mr. Yawkey moved to take from the table House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend section 12, of act No. 117, of the session laws

of 1859, as amended by section
laws of 1861;

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Yawkey,

The bill was re-committed to

Mr. Wilcox offered the follow

Resolved, That the communcal
resigning his seat in this House
the House;

Mr. Boies offered the following

Resolved, That the Speaker be
of the House with a copy of the
Luther, resigning his seat in this
printed in the journal;

On motion of Mr. Williams,

The resolution was laid on the

Mr. Reed moved to discharge
from the further consideration of

A bill for the relief of traction
townships of Scio and Webster, V

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Reed,

The bill was placed on the orde

Mr. Woodward moved to dischar
from the further consideration of

A bill to amend an act entitled
city of Jackson," approved Feb. 1

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Woodward,

The bill was placed on the orde

THIRD READING OF BILLS

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to punish the recruiting o
of other States,

Was read a third time and p
members elect voting therefor, by

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
 A. Allen,
 G. W. Allen,
 Bayley,
 Bartow,
 Beach,
 Boies,
 Bond,
 Bonine,
 Brockway,
 Camburn,
 Carleton,
 Chipman,
 Cobb,
 Copley,
 Dort,
 Dunlap,
 Dussan,
 Fellows,
 Fisher,
 Forbes,
 Gies,
 Graham,
 Green,
 Griswold,

Mr. Haire,
 Haynes,
 Jenness,
 Jewell,
 J. H. Jones,
 G. O. Jones,
 Keeler,
 Kenny,
 Laing,
 Lapham,
 Lewis,
 Look,
 Mallary,
 May,
 McKernan,
 Mickley,
 Morton,
 Newcomb,
 Nixon,
 Nowland,
 O'Grady,
 Osborn,
 Packard,
 Pitts,

Mr. Reed,
 Rowe,
 Runyan,
 Sanderson,
 Schars,
 Shier,
 Sticum,
 Stewart,
 Swift,
 Taylor,
 Thomas,
 Tupper,
 Utley,
 Warner,
 Wendell,
 White,
 Wilcox,
 Willits,
 Winsor,
 Woodman,
 Woodruff,
 Woodward,
 Yawkey,
 Speaker,

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NAYS.

Mr. Ball,
 Colwell,

Mr. Hawley,

Mr. O. F. Howard,

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Bond,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to amend "an act to provide for the appointment of trustees, in certain cases," approved February 17, 1867,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
 A. Allen,
 G. W. Allen,
 Bayley,

Mr. Haire,
 Hawley,
 Haynes,
 Horton,

Mr. Pitts,
 Reed,
 Rowe,
 Sanderson,

Ball,	M. D. E
Beach,	O. F. H
Boies,	Jenness
Bond,	Jewell,
Bonine,	J. H. Jo
Brockway,	G. C. Jo
Camburn,	Keeler,
Carleton,	Kenny,
Chipman,	Laing,
Cobb,	Lapham,
Colwell,	Lewis,
Copley,	Mallary,
Dort,	McKay,
Dunlap,	McKerna
Fellows,	Mickley,
Fisher,	Newcomb
Forbes,	Nixon,
Gies,	Nowland,
Graham,	O'Grady,
Green,	Osborn,
Griswold,	Packard,
	NAYS.

Mr. Look,

Mr. May,

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Brockway,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the m
ordered to take immediate effect.

House bill No. 174, entitled

A bill for the relief of fractional sch
townships of Scio and Webster, in th

Was read a third time and passed, a
bers elect voting therefor, by yeas and

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,

Mr. Haynes,

A. Allen,

Horton,

G. W. Allen,

M. D. Howard

Bayley,

O. F. Howard,

Ball,

Jenness,

Bartow,

Jewell,

Beach,

J. H. Jones,

Boies,

G. C. Jones,

Bonine,

Keeler,

Brockway,

Kenny,

Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Forbes,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,
Hawley,

Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Mallary,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Newcomb,
Nixon,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Packard,
Pitts,

Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

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NAYS.

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Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Haire,

By a vote of two-thirds of all the members elect, the bill was ordered to take immediate effect.

Senate bill No. 62, entitled

A bill to amend an act entitled "an act to incorporate the city of Jackson," approved February 14, 1857,

Was read a third time and passed, a majority of all the members elect voting therefor, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Dort,
Dunlap,

Mr. Haynes,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
O. F. Howard,
Jenness,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenny,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Mallary,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,

Mr. Pitts,
Rowe,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Shier,
Slocum,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,

Forbes,	Mic
Gies,	Ne
Graham,	Niz
Green,	Nov
Griswold,	O'G
Haire,	Os
Hawley,	Pack
	N.

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Stewart,
By a vote of two-thirds of all
ordered to take immediate effect
House manuscript bill, entitle
A bill to revise the charter of
Was read a third time and pas
bers elect voting therefor, by ye
YEA

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Griswold
A. Allen,	Haire,
G. W. Allen,	Hawley,
Bayley,	Haynes,
Ball,	Horton,
Bartow,	M. D. Ho
Beach,	Jenness,
Boies,	Jewell,
Bond,	J. H. Jon
Bonine,	G. C. Jon
Brockway,	Keeler,
Camburn,	Kenney,
Carleton,	Lapham,
Chipman,	Lewis,
Cobb,	Mallary,
Colwell,	May,
Copley,	McKay,
Dort,	McKernan,
Dunlap,	Mickley,
Dusseau,	Newcomb,
Forbes,	Nixon,
Gies,	Nowland,
Graham,	O'Grady,
Green,	Osborn,
	NAYS.

Mr. O. F. Howard, Mr. Stewart,

Title agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Pitts,

The House took a recess until this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

2 o'clock P. M.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met and was called to order by the Speaker.

Roll called: quorum present.

The Speaker announced the appointment of Messrs. Brockway, Lewis, Dort, Aitken and Laing, as the select committee authorized by a resolution of the House, to examine certain illegal acts alleged to have been committed by the Board of Agriculture, having control of the Agricultural College, and also as to the general management of said College.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

House manuscript bill, entitled

A bill to revise the charter of the city of Lansing,

Passed during the forenoon session, was ordered to take immediate effect, two-thirds of all the members elect voting therefor.

SPECIAL ORDER.

Being the consideration of concurrent resolutions on the State of the Union.

Mr. Brockway moved that the consideration of the resolutions be postponed until 7 o'clock this evening;

Which motion was not agreed to.

Mr. Utley moved to postpone the consideration of the resolutions until Tuesday evening next;

Which was agreed to.

GENERAL ORDER.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The House went into committee of the whole, on the general order,

Mr. Stewart in the chair.

After some time spent through the chairman made the

The committee of the whole the following entitled bills:

1. House bill No. 50, entitled

A bill to organize the township

Have made some amendments chairman to report the same back thereon, and recommend it

The committee of the whole report back to the House the following

2. House bill No. 49, entitled

A bill to organize the township

3. House bill No. 51, entitled

A bill to organize the township

4. House bill No. 52, entitled

A bill to organize the township county;

And ask to be discharged from the

EDWIN

Report accepted and committee discharged

On motion of Mr. J. H. Jones,

The House concurred in the amendment named bill, and the bill was placed on the calendar.

Mr. Warner offered the following amendment named bill:

Amend section three, line two, to read "any time thereafter and place in said township in lieu thereof the words "such township as may;"

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The bill was placed on the order of the day.

Mr. Warner offered the following amendment named bill:

Amend section 3, line 2, by striking out the words "any time thereafter and place in said township to," and inserting in lieu thereof the words "such time and place in said township as may;"

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

Mr. Warner moved to amend the fourth named bill by adding thereto a new section, as follows:

"Sec. 3. If for any reason said township election shall not be held at the time herein appointed, it shall be lawful to hold the same at such time and place in said township as may be designated by said board of inspectors, on giving at least ten days notice thereof, in four of the most public places in said township, which notice the said board of inspectors are hereby authorized and required to give;"

Which was agreed to.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

On motion of Mr. Haynes,

The House adjourned until Monday morning at 9 o'clock.

Lansing, Monday, February 27, 1865.

The House met, pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by the Speaker.

Prayer by Rev. Mr. Meyer.

Roll called: quorum present.

Absent at roll call, without leave, Messrs. Forbes, Jenness and Morton.

Mr. Warner asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Forbes, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Kenny asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Jenness, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

Mr. Bartow asked and obtained leave of absence for Mr. Morton, for an indefinite time, on account of sickness.

The Speaker announced

To the Speaker of the House

SIR—In compliance with the resolution directing the Superintendent of the Industrial School to report to the House the number of boys sent to said school for the offenses for which they were sent, and the sentences to which they were sentenced. Also, the names of the boys in the military service of the House, and to what sub-districts they were assigned, the amount paid or promised to each, to the names of the boys, and the present condition of the boys, and the death of any such pupil or the names of the boys, and the Board of Control would

That there have been sent to the Industrial School, September 2d, 1856, one hundred and twenty boys under the age of twelve years, of whom were sent for larceny, one hundred (100); assault and battery, two (2); burglary one (1); arson, one (1); burglary and larceny, one (1);

Sixty-seven of whom were committed to the House of Peace, twenty-five by police justices and six by recorders.

Of the whole number sent to the Industrial School, twelve years, one hundred and thirty-two (132); in the minority, and one was sent for one year.

One hundred and forty-eight (148) boys were in military and naval service of the House, of whom commenced. Of this number, six were sent to sub-district No. 32, six were credited to sub-district No. 33, six were credited to sub-district No. 34, seven were credited to sub-district No. 35; leaving one hundred and t

our books and papers do not show, and which could only be ascertained by an examination of the Provost Marshal books at Detroit. Such an examination would require ten days time, and a search through eighty thousand names.

Of the whole number of boys, twenty-one (21) are known to have been paid bounties; two of whom have been paid \$92 each, eleven have been paid \$100 each, and eight have been paid \$200 each; \$1,484 have been paid to boys or parents, on the joint receipt of parent and son; leaving in the hands of the Treasurer of the Board of Control \$1,400, in money and city orders, held in trust for ten of the boys.

The present condition of said bounties now in his hands, in case of death of the pupil or volunteer, is prescribed in chapter ninety-one, (91,) compiled laws of Michigan.

Two or three of the boys are supposed to have bounties promised them, but the fact has not yet been ascertained.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

C. B. ROBINSON,

Superintendent Reform School.

J. I. MEAD,

THEODORE FOSTER,

Board of Control.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The communication was laid on the table, and ordered printed in the journal.

PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS.

By Mr. Chipman: petition of Madison, Humboldt, Pethrick, Winthrop, Dana and Copper Falls Mining Companies, and St. Mary's Canal Mineral Land Company, praying for the passage of the bills now before the Legislature, for organizing four new townships in Keweenaw county;

Also: petition of W. Arens, James Dunstan, W. B. Martin and others, for the same purpose;

Also: petition of Amygdaloid, Central, North Western, Pittsburgh and Boston Mining Companies, through their superior officers, for the same purpose;

On motion of Mr. M. D. How

The several petitions were laid

By Mr. Lapham: petition of
citizens of the township of Hope
for a law to pay three hundred
last call of the President for 300

Referred to the committee on

By Mr. Wilcox: petition of
and twelve others, requesting th
Rome, February 20, 1865, to rei
bounty, be not recognized as leg

Referred to the committee on

REPORTS OF STAND

By the committee on banks and

The committee on banks and
referred Senate bill No. 87, entit

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Sturgis, in the county of St. Jose
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the House, without amendmen

pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

C. F. MALLARY, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. Mallary,

The bill was placed on the order of third reading.

By the committee on education:

The committee on education, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the organization of literary societies,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the accompanying substitute, and recommend that the substitute do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

B. M. WILLIAMS, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

On motion of Mr. M. D. Howard,

The House concurred in the adoption of the substitute reported by the committee.

The bill was then ordered printed, referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution No. 10, entitled

Joint resolution authorizing the Governor to issue a patent to Washington Holmes,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands:

The committee on public lands, to whom was referred

A bill to provide for the drainage of lands, by means of a State road in the county of Newaygo, to Blodgett, Osceola,

Respectfully report that they have considered, and have directed me to report to the House, without amendment, pass, and ask to be discharged from the subject.

Report accepted and committee

The bill was ordered printed in whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands,

The committee on public lands, report on joint resolution No. 12, entitled

Joint resolution for the relief of

Respectfully report that they have considered, and have directed me to report to the House, without amendment, and ask to be discharged from the subject.

Report accepted and committee

The joint resolution was referred to the committee on public lands, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on public lands,

The committee on public lands, in answer to much of the Governor's message on State roads, respectfully make the following report:

The committee are of the opinion that the plan in the year 1859, for the reclamation of State roads and ditches, has been the policy of the State, and the propriety of such a plan is a subject for experiment, but the true policy, will be to provide for the drainage of the State.

It is a well known and acknowledged fact that the system of drainage for a new coun-

struction of public highways. These carry with them population and enterprise, which can be secured by no other means, and insure to the country through which they pass, the cultivation, improvement and reclamation of its waste lands and the repairs and maintenance of roadways, which has first furnished the facilities for and inducements to their settlement.

A few years ago the northern part of the Lower Peninsula was one immense and almost impenetrable wilderness of low lands, and presented an almost insurmountable barrier to the progress of settlement by the efforts of private individual enterprise. Now, under the workings of this policy of State roads, the very heart of the wilderness has been penetrated by roads, settlements have been made far back into this new country, villages, churches and school houses have sprung up, and civilization now extends over a large portion of that country, which a few years ago was a trackless wilderness.

The first approaches towards a wise and liberal government, has in all ages and countries been indicated by a liberal and substantial provision for their public highways, and no country which has steadily and persistently neglected such provisions, will be found to have made any considerable advancement towards a stable and enlightened policy.

The policy of this State should not be abandoned or neglected until some wiser and more certain plan for the development of the resources and hidden wealth in the unbroken forests of our State shall be proposed and adopted.

The committee are of the opinion that the settlement of the country will keep pace with, if not in advance of the completion of these roads, and the judicious continuance of the policy will, in a few years, give to the State, instead of a trackless wilderness and unproductive low lands, a large population, an improved country, and a greatly increased revenue arising from the greatly increased wealth and taxable lands brought within our system of taxation.

Your committee are of the opinion that the State road policy, together with the homestead law, granting eighty acres of

swamp land to actual settlers, has
gration, increase the population, we
State, than any other State policy y

In consequence of the protracted
state of the country, and the frequent
the ranks of our armies; the ready
men in the new portions of our State
struction of these roads; the settlement
the country, has been greatly retarded
civil strife shall be at an end, and our
zens shall return to their homes as
the public improvements will be re-
provement and development of the
will again go on.

Your committee are aware that such
have been practiced upon the State
and the commissioners. By the com-
ing the work as required by the con-
by accepting and certifying road jobs
the same in violation of their oath.

Perhaps some amendment to the
more safeguards about the same,
Your committee would suggest the
izing the Governor to appoint one
commissioners, whose duty it should
work done under State road contracts
contracts when the work shall be
visions of the same, and no payment
certificate.

There is still a large quantity of
ject to sale and entry, a very large
of but little value until roads shall be
ments made near the same.

In the year 1850, Congress granted
lands situated in the same, amounting
that amount there has been sold (

reserved on road contracts is 426,517 acres. The amount licensed under the homestead act is 166,449 acres, leaving subject to sale and entry on the first day of December last, 4,577,968 acres. Of that amount, 2,233,202 acres are situated in the Lower Peninsula, and 2,344,776 acres are situated in the Upper Peninsula.

In all probability on account of the unsettled state of the country, the scarcity and high prices of labor, many of the contracts made for the construction of State roads and the right to the lands selected under the same will become forfeited, and the lands revert to the State. Also, a large number of the roads upon which appropriations have been made, no contracts for the construction of the same have been made, and the time fixed in the grant for constructing the same will soon expire, in which case the grants will become forfeited. The committee are of the opinion that a careful and judicious policy should be pursued on the part of the State in the disposition of these lands. The good faith of the State is pledged that the swamp lands shall be appropriated only for the purposes expressed in the grant until that object shall be accomplished.

The committee are of the opinion that the homestead law, so called, as amended in 1861, granting eighty acres of swamp land to actual settlers, has proved perfectly satisfactory both to the settler and the people of the State, and needs no amendment or alteration. Under the provisions of this benevolent law, thousands of poor men have provided themselves and their families a homestead, which otherwise they never could have enjoyed, and are now reclaiming the land, developing the resources and increasing the wealth and revenue of the State.

For information in relation to the condition and progress of the several State roads, we refer you to the communication of the Commissioner of State Land Office, furnished this House on the 27th day of January last.

EZRA HAZEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means
submitted

A bill to provide for the interest

Also,

A bill to provide for interest

Respectfully report that they have
into one, which they herewith recommend

A bill to provide for interest

And recommend that it do pass
from the further consideration of the House

Report accepted and committee discharged

The bill was ordered printed
of the whole, and placed on the calendar

By the committee on ways and means

The committee on ways and means

A bill legalizing the tax roll of
Hillsdale county, for the year 1866

Also,

A bill legalizing the tax roll of
the county of Lenawee, for the year 1866

Respectfully report that they have
sideration, and report that the objection
has already been provided in House
become a law; therefore, the committee
back to the House, and recommend that
ask to be discharged from the further
subject.

Report accepted and committee discharged

On motion of Mr. Stewart,

The bills were laid on the table.

By the committee on ways and means

The committee on ways and means

Joint resolution for the relief of Cyrenus

Respectfully report that they have

sideration, and have directed me to report the same back to the House, without amendment, and recommend that it do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on ways and means:

The committee on ways and means, to whom was referred Senate joint resolution, entitled

Joint resolution relative to the payment to the American Express Company, of the value of certain coupons lost by them,

Respectfully report that they have had the same under consideration, and are of the opinion that the relief sought for by the company should be granted, and that by the terms of the resolution, the State will be adequately protected from any loss; they therefore recommend that the joint resolution do pass, and ask to be discharged from the further consideration of the subject.

A. L. GREEN, *Chairman.*

Report accepted and committee discharged.

The joint resolution was referred to the committee of the whole, and placed on the general order.

By the committee on war bounties:

The committee on war bounties, to whom was referred

A bill to authorize certain townships in the State of Michigan to raise money by tax to refund advances made for bounty purposes,

Have had the same under consideration, and directed me to report, that numerous memorials and petitions from almost every locality in the State have been presented to this House, and referred to your committee, asking the passage of a law by this Legislature by which such localities might be authorized to raise by tax on the taxable property of their respective townships, such sums of money as have been loaned, advanced,

contributed or subscribed by
 ciations of persons for the
 bounties to volunteers enlisted
 or naval service of the United
 the desires of so respectable
 of the State, your committee
 of the present session, of repo

“A bill to legalize the action
 counties, in raising bounties for

Which made provision for the
 class of claims under considera-
 currence of the House, but no
 Senate, failed to become a law
 • that such appropriations of money
 and for a noble and patriotic
 standing, implied or expressed,
 refunded whenever the legislature
 and believing that no great inju-
 uals, nor that the pecuniary inter-
 sacrificed or materially affected
 of the question to a vote of the
 mittee have directed me to re-
 bill back to the House, without
 that it do pass, and ask to be dis-
 sideration of the same.

P. D.

Report accepted and committee
 The bill was ordered printed,
 the whole, and placed on the gen-
 eral calendar.

MESSAGES FROM

The Speaker announced the fol-

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To the Speaker of the House of Reps.

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate
 the following bill:

House bill No. 121, entitled

A bill to amend section fourteen, of act number sixteen, of the session laws of 1864, entitled "an act to authorize the formation of corporations for the running, booming and rafting of logs;"

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended said bill as follows:

1. By inserting in line 15, after the word "power," the words "to make all necessary contracts for the driving, booming, rafting and running logs, lumber, timber and other floatables. They shall have power;"

2. By striking out of line 19, all after the word "boomage;"

3. By striking out of line 20, the words "for boomage only;"

4. By inserting in line 21, before the word "or," the word "rafting;"

5. By striking out the proviso at the end of the section, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "*Provided*, corporations formed under the provisions of this act may charge for booming of logs within the counties of Muskegon and Newaygo, a rate not to exceed ten cents per thousand feet, exclusive of reasonable charges for other labor bestowed on the same;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Mr. Hazen called for a division of the question on concurring in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate, so that the question might first be taken on the first four amendments, and then upon the fifth amendment;

The question being upon concurring in the first four amend-

ments made to the bill by t
by yeas and nays, as follow

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. H
A. Allen,	H
G. W. Allen,	H
Bayley,	Hc
Ball,	M.
Bartow,	O
Beach,	Jey
Boies,	J. l
Bond,	G.
Bonine,	Ke
Brockway,	Ke
Camburn,	Lap
Carleton,	Lew
Cobb,	May
Colwell,	McE
Copley,	McE
Dort,	Mich
Dunlap,	Mon
Dussean,	New
Fellows,	Now
Fisher,	Osbc
Graham,	Pack
Green,	Pack
Griswold,	Pitts
Haire,	

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The question being upon con
made to the bill by the Senate

The amendment was conc
lows:

Mr. Aitken,	Mr. Haw
A. Allen,	Hay
G. W. Allen,	Haz
Bayley,	Hort
Ball,	M. D
Bartow,	O. F
Boies,	Jew
Bond,	J. H
Bonine,	G. C
Brockway,	Keel

Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,

Kenney,
Laing,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Mallory,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Newcomb,
Nowland,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,

Swift,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker, 78

NAYS.

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The bill was then referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 27, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 134, entitled

A bill to authorize fractional school district No. 2, of the townships of Plymouth and Novi, in the counties of Wayne and Oakland, to issue bonds,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended said bill as follows:

By striking out the word "two," in the fourth line of section one, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "three;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and has ordered the same to take immediate effect by a vote of two thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. Swift moved that
made to the bill by the S
Which motion prevailed

Mr. Aitken,	Mr.
A. Allen,	
G. W. Allen,	
Bayley,	
Ball,	
Bartow,	
Boies,	
Bond,	
Bonine,	
Brockway,	
Camburn,	
Carleton,	
Chipman,	
Cobb,	
Colwell,	
Copley,	
Dort,	
Dunlap,	
Dussean,	
Fellows,	
Fisher,	
Gies,	
Graham,	
Green,	
Griswold,	
Haire,	
Hawley,	

The bill was then referred
and enrollment, for enrollment
The Speaker also announced

To the Speaker of the House

SIR—I am instructed by
the following bill:

House bill No. 97, entitled
A bill to amend an act en

an act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids," approved February 10, 1859, and further to amend "an act entitled an act to revise the charter of the city of Grand Rapids,"

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same, as follows:

1. By striking out the word "five," in recited section 71, line 25;

2. By striking out the words "shall be," after the word "which," in the second line of recited section 85, and inserting in lieu thereof the word "being;"

In the passage of which, as thus amended, the Senate has concurred by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect has ordered the same to take immediate effect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

Mr. M. D. Howard moved that the House concur in the amendments made to the bill by the Senate;

Which motion prevailed, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. Aitken,
A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,
Dussean,
Fellows,

Mr. Hawley,
Haynes,
Hazen,
Horton,
M. D. Howard,
Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenny,
Laing,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
Mallory,
May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,

Mr. Pitts,
Rowe.
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Shier,
Slocum,
L. Smith,
Stewart,
Swift,
Taylor,
Thomas,
Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,

Fisher,
Gies,
Graham,
Green,
Griswold,
Haire,

The bill was then referred
and enrollment, for enrollment.
The Speaker also announced

To the Speaker of the House

SIR—I am instructed by
the following bills:

1. House bill No. 44, entitled

A bill to authorize the
county of Ottawa, to appoint
of tolls and charges, and the
harbor at Black Lake, in said

2. House bill No. 93, entitled

A bill to legalize the action
the city of Ann Arbor, in its
indebtedness to aid in the erection
use of the medical department
and to provide for the payment

3. House manuscript bill

A bill to extend the time
township of Wright, Hillsdale

4. House manuscript bill,

A bill to extend the time
townships of Green and De
for the year 1864;

In the passage of which
majority vote of all the Senators

to take immediate effect by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The several bills were referred to the committee on engrossment and enrollment, for enrollment.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 27, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to transmit to the House the following bill:

Senate bill No. 74, entitled

A bill to incorporate the village of Holly;

Which has passed the Senate by a majority vote of all the Senators elect, and by a vote of two-thirds of all the Senators elect, been ordered to take immediate effect, and in which the concurrence of the House is respectfully asked.

Very respectfully,

THOS. H. GLENN,

Secretary of the Senate.

The bill was read a first and second time by its title, and referred to the committee on banks and incorporations.

The Speaker also announced the following:

SENATE CHAMBER,
Lansing, February 25, 1865. }

To the Speaker of the House of Representatives:

SIR—I am instructed by the Senate to return to the House the following bill:

House bill No. 17, entitled

A bill to provide temporary additional compensation to the officers of the State Prison, for the year commencing December 1st, 1864, and the year commencing December 1st, 1865,

And to inform the House that the Senate has amended the same as follows:

1. Insert in the third line, after the word "the," where it first

occurs, the words "cle
"prison," in the same l

2. Strike out the wo
one, and insert "one," i
out the words "and fift

In the passage of w
concurred by a majority

Mr. Graham moved the
made to the bill by the S

Mr. M. D. Howard call
amendments;

Mr. Brockway moved t
Senate, by striking out of
the third line, the word "

Which was agreed to.

The question being upo
of the Senate, as thus ar
yeas and nays, as follows:

Mr. A. Allen,
G. W. Allen,
Beach,
Brockway,
Copley,
Dort,
Dunlap,

Mr. C
E
E
G
K
K
P

Mr. Aitken,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Boies,
Bond,
Bonine,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,

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Cobb,
Colwell,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Green,
Griswold,
Haynes,
Hazen,

May,
McKay,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Newcomb,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack;

Welch,
Wendell,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Winsor,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Speaker,
Woodworth, 60

The question recurring on the second amendment made to the bill by the Senate, it was not concurred in, by yeas and nays, as follows:

YEAS.

Mr. A. Allen,
Bonine,
Brockway,
Dort,
Dunlap,

Mr. Graham,
Green,
Haire,
Hazen,
M. D. Howard,

Mr. Mallary,
McKay,
Swift,
Taylor,
Winsor, 15

NAYS.

Mr. Aitken,
G. W. Allen,
Bayley,
Ball,
Bartow,
Beach,
Boies,
Camburn,
Carleton,
Chipman,
Cobb,
Colwell,
Copley,
Dusseau,
Fellows,
Fisher,
Gies,
Griswold,
Hawley,
Haynes,
Horton,
O. F. Howard,

Mr. Jewell,
J. H. Jones,
G. C. Jones,
Keeler,
Kenny,
Laing,
Lapham,
Lewis,
Look,
May,
McKernan,
Mickley,
Monroe,
Newcomb,
Nowland,
O'Grady,
Osborn,
Pack,
Packard,
Pitts,
Reed,

Mr. Rowe,
Runyan,
Sanderson,
Schars,
Shier,
Sloen,
W. T. Smith,
Stewart,
Utley,
Warner,
Welch,
Wendell,
White,
Wilcox,
Willits,
Williams,
Woodman,
Woodruff,
Woodward,
Yawkey,
Speaker,

MOTIONS,

Mr. Chipman offered

Whereas, There are committees of this House inquiries and measures

And whereas, It is expedient that all business of the House shall be thoroughly done, and that the House may be expedited before

Resolved, That when the House adjourns to-morrow, it shall adjourn until nine o'clock to-morrow, and the committees be given opportunity to report to them;

Mr. Hazen moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "nine o'clock to-morrow" and inserting the words "seven o'clock to-morrow";

Which amendment was

The resolution, as amended, was adopted.

Mr. Boies moved to amend the resolution by striking out the words "seven o'clock to-morrow" and inserting the words "seven o'clock to-morrow";

A bill to provide for the

Which motion prevailed.

On motion of Mr. Boies,

The bill was placed on the order for the day.

Mr. Taylor offered the following

Resolved, That authority be given to the committee appointed to inquire into the means of improving the means of transportation alleged to have been used by the Traverse Bay railroad company, to examine the papers by them deemed necessary for the purpose of investigation;

Which was adopted.



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